

- 4 (a) State what is meant by *internal energy of an ideal gas*.

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- (b) The variation of pressure with volume for an ideal gas is as shown in Fig. 4.1 below.

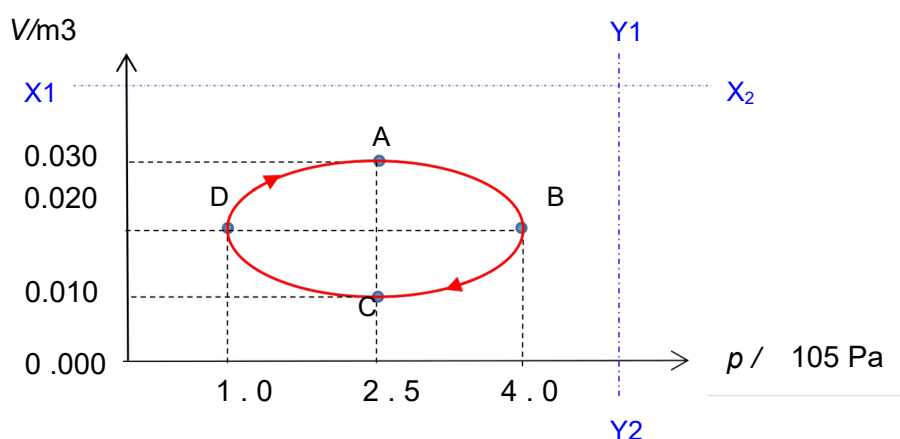


Fig. 4.1

- (i) The temperatures T_A , T_B , T_C and T_D at states A, B, C and D respectively are as follows

$$T_D = T_C = T_A = T_B.$$

Show that the relationship between the temperatures is as stated above.

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- (ii) Sketch the four isotherms that pass through states A, B, C and D. Each isotherm must extend to touch lines X1X2 and Y1Y2. [1]

- (iii) Explain why there is no change in internal energy of the gas after one complete cycle from $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow D \rightarrow A$.

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- (iv) The *first law of thermodynamics* may be expressed in the form

$$+\Delta U = (+q) + (+w).$$

Hence, complete the table in Fig. 4.2 with '+' and '-'.

Process	$+\Delta U$	$+q$	$+w$
$A \rightarrow B$		-	
$B \rightarrow C$			+
$C \rightarrow D$		+	
$D \rightarrow A$			-
After one complete cycle	0		

Fig. 4.2

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- (v) Determine the net heat gain after one complete cycle.

Hint: Area of an ellipse, $A = \pi ab$

where a and b are the large and small radii respectively.

net heat gain = J [2]

- (c) A relationship between the average translational kinetic energy and thermal energy is given by the expression

$$\frac{1}{2} m \overline{c^2} = \frac{3}{2} kT.$$

Explain if the above expression is applicable to the ideal gas in (b).

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