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PROBLEM I [12 pts]

A volume of 0.1 m^3 containing an ideal gas is compressed from a pressure of 120 kPa and a temperature of 25°C to a pressure of 1.2 MPa according to the law $PV^{1.2} = \text{constant}$. Determine:

- 1- The work transferred during the compression.

Note: for a polytropic process the work can be written as: $W = \frac{P_2V_2 - P_1V_1}{1-n}$ for $n \neq 1$

- 2- The change in internal energy (in kJ).
 3- The heat transferred during the compression.

Assume: $C_v = 0.72 \text{ kJ/kg.K}$ and $R = 0.285 \text{ kJ/kg.K}$

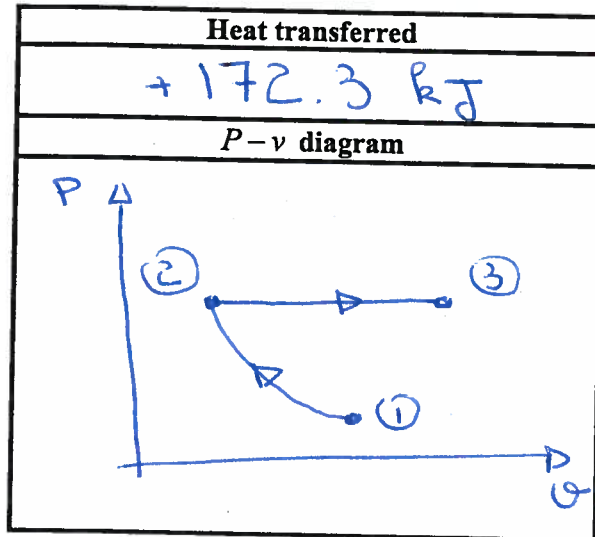
Work	Change in internal energy
-28.2 kJ	14.2 kJ
Heat transferred	
-14 kJ	

PROBLEM II [12 pts]

A cylinder device fitted with a piston contains initially argon gas at 100 kPa and 27°C occupying a volume of 0.4 m³. The argon gas is first compressed while the temperature is held constant until the volume reaches 0.2 m³. Then, the argon is allowed to expand while the pressure is held constant until the volume becomes 0.6 m³. Determine the net amount of heat transferred to the argon in kJ and sketch the system's thermodynamic path on a $P-v$ diagram.

Assume: $C_v = 0.3122$ kJ/kg.K and $R = 0.2081$ kJ/kg.K.

Note: isothermal process for an ideal gas: $PV=C^t$



1 pt

PROBLEM III [6 pts] : Multiple Choice or Short Answer.

1- The state postulate is completely satisfied by:

- ☐ One intensive property
- ☒ Two independent intensive properties
- ☐ Two independent extensive properties
- ☐ One extensive and one intensive property

(1)

2- Which thermodynamic property is introduced using the zeroth law of thermodynamics?

Temperature

(1)

3 - Consider a saturated liquid-vapor mixture of pure water. Select each of the following combinations of properties that fulfill the state postulate:

- ☐ Temperature and pressure
- ☒ Pressure and specific volume
- ☒ Temperature and quality
- ☒ Temperature and specific volume

(1)

4- Is C_p higher than C_v ? Explain why from a physical point-of-view.

$$C = \frac{Q}{\Delta T}$$

at $Q = \Delta T$ the variation in T is higher
 then if $P = \Delta T$ $\Delta T|_{Q=\Delta T} > \Delta T|_{P=\Delta T}$
 then $C_p > C_v$.

(1)

5- For a substance to be at **thermodynamic equilibrium**, it must be at:

Thermal equilibrium, Mechanical equilibrium,

Phase equilibrium, and chemical equilibrium.

(1)

6- At which thermodynamic state can the liquid, solid, and gaseous phases coexist?

- ☐ At the critical point.
- ☒ At the triple point.
- ☐ At thermodynamic equilibrium.
- ☐ Two phases can never coexist.
- ☐ All three phases cannot coexist at the same time.

(1)

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Problem I 12pts

1) we have $W = \frac{P_2 V_2 - P_1 V_1}{1-n}$ $n \neq 1$

$V_1 \checkmark \quad P_1 \checkmark \quad T_1 \checkmark \quad P_2 \times \quad V_2 \times$

computation of V_2 .

$$PV^n = c \Rightarrow P_1 V_1^n = P_2 V_2^n$$

$$(1) \quad V_2 = V_1 \left(\frac{P_1}{P_2} \right)^{1/n}$$

$$= 0.1 \left(\frac{120}{1200} \right)^{1/1.2}$$

(1)

$$V_2 = 0.0147 \text{ m}^3$$

Then

$$W = -28.2 \text{ kJ}$$

(2)

2) The change in internal energy for an ideal gas: $\Delta U = m c_v (T_2 - T_1)$
we have to determine T_2 and m .

$$m = \frac{P_1 V_1}{R T_1} = \frac{120 \times 0.1}{0.285 \times 298} = 0.141 \text{ kg}$$

(1)

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$$\text{and : } m_1 = m_2 \Rightarrow \frac{P_1 V_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2 V_2}{T_2}$$

$$\text{So } T_2 = T_1 \left(\frac{P_2 V_2}{P_1 V_1} \right) = 438 \text{ K}$$

$$\text{Then } \Delta U = m C_v (T_2 - T_1)$$

$$\Delta U = 14.2 \text{ kJ}$$

3) Heat transferred

Hyp: ΔE_p and ΔE_k are neglected
1st law for a closed system

$$\Delta U = Q - W \Rightarrow Q = \Delta U + W$$

$$= 14.2 - 28.2$$

$$Q = -14 \text{ kJ}$$

Problem II 12 pts

Hyp: ΔE_k and ΔE_p are neglected

$$\Delta U = Q_{\text{net}} - W_{\text{net}}$$

$$Q_{\text{net}} = Q_{13}$$

$$W_{\text{net}} = \underbrace{W_{12}}_{\text{isothermal}} + \underbrace{W_{23}}_{\text{isobaric}}$$

$$\text{Then } m c_v (T_3 - T_1) = Q_{\text{net}} - W_{\text{net}} \quad (2)$$

$$m = \frac{P_1 V_1}{R T_1} = \frac{100 \times 0.4}{0.2081 \times 300} = 0.6407 \text{ kg} \quad (1)$$

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computation of W_{12}

$$W_{12} = P_1 V_1 \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1} = 100(0.4) \ln \left(\frac{0.2}{0.4} \right) \quad (1)$$

$$W_{12} = -27.7 \text{ kJ} \quad (1)$$

computation of W_{23}

$$W_{23} = \cancel{P_2 (V_3 - T_2)} \cdot P_2 (V_3 - V_2) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{with } P_2 = P_1 \frac{V_1}{V_2} = 200 \text{ kPa} \quad (\text{isothermal process}) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Then } \boxed{W_{23} = 80 \text{ kJ}} \quad (1)$$

finally:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\text{net}} &= \Delta U + W_{\text{net}} \\ &= m c_v (T_3 - T_1) + W_{\text{net}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{with } T_3 = T_2 \frac{V_3}{V_2} = 900 \text{ K} \quad (\text{isobaric process}) \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\text{net}} &= 0.6407 (0.3122) (900 - 300) \\ &\quad + (-27.7 + 80) \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{Q = +172.3 \text{ kJ}} \quad (1)$$

P-v diagram (1)