

# Midterm ENGR 251 / 2015

## Problem I 12pts

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

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

# computation of  $V_2$ .

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

$$\textcircled{1} \quad V_2 = V_1 \left( \frac{P_1}{P_2} \right)^{1/n}$$
$$= 0.1 \left( \frac{120}{1200} \right)^{1/1.2}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad V_2 = 0.0147 \text{ m}^3$$

Then

$$W = -28.2 \text{ kJ} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

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  $m$

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

$\textcircled{1} \qquad \qquad \qquad \textcircled{1}$

$$\text{and : } m_1 = m_2 \Rightarrow \frac{P_1 V_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2 V_2}{T_2} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{So } T_2 = T_1 \left( \frac{P_2 V_2}{P_1 V_1} \right) = 438 \text{ K} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Then } \Delta U = m C_v (T_2 - T_1) \quad (1)$$

$$\Delta U = 14.2 \text{ kJ} \quad (1)$$

3) Heat transferred

Hyp:  $\Delta E_p$  and  $\Delta E_k$  are neglected

1<sup>st</sup> law for a closed system

$$\Delta U = Q - W \Rightarrow Q = \Delta U + W \quad (1)$$

$$= 14.2 - 28.2$$

$$Q = -14 \text{ kJ} \quad (1)$$

## Problem II 12 pts

Hyp:  $\Delta E_k$  and  $\Delta E_p$  are neglected

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

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

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

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

$$m = \frac{P_1 V_1}{RT_1} = \frac{100 \times 0.4}{0.2081 \times 300} = 0.6407 \text{ kg} \quad (1)$$

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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  $W_{23}$

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

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

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

finally:

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

$$= m c_v (T_3 - T_1) + W_{\text{net}}$$

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

$$Q_{\text{net}} = 0.6407 (0.3122) (900 - 300) + (-27.7 + 80)$$

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

### Problem III 6 pts.

(0.5) 1) yes  $C_p$  is higher than  $C_v$ .

because  $C = \frac{Q}{\Delta T}$  and for the

(2) Same  $Q$ ,  $\Delta T$  is smaller when the process is at  $P=ct$  than at  $T=ct$  vs  $ct$ .

2)  $C_p - C_v = R$ ?

$$h = U + PV$$

$$h = U + RT \quad (\text{for ideal gas})$$

(2.5)  $dh = \Delta U + R \Delta T$

$$\left( \frac{dh}{dT} \right) = \left( \frac{dU}{dT} \right) + R$$

$C_p$

$C_v$

$$\Rightarrow C_p = C_v + R$$

OR

$$C_p - C_v = R$$

3) 1<sup>st</sup> law of Thermodynamics

(1) introduces Energy (or internal energy)