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ENGR-251 THERMODYNAMICS I

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Duration 60 minutes

PROBLEM 1

(50 points)

0.1 m³ of an ideal gas is compressed from a pressure of 120 kPa and 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: Demonstrate the formulation of the work for a polytropic process (4 points), otherwise use the formulation:

$$\text{Work for a polytropic process: } W = \frac{P_2 V_2 - P_1 V_1}{1 - n}$$

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

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

Formulas:

Ideal gas law: $Pv = RT$

First law of thermodynamics for a closed system: $\Delta U = Q - W$ (neglecting ΔE_k and ΔE_p)

Specific heat at constant pressure: $C_p = \frac{\partial h}{\partial T}$

Specific heat at constant volume: $C_v = \frac{\partial u}{\partial T}$

PROBLEM 2**(50 points)**

Water contained in a piston-cylinder assembly undergoes two processes in series from an initial state where the pressure is 1 MPa and the temperature is 400°C.

Process 1-2: The water is cooled as it is compressed at a constant pressure of 1 MPa to the saturated vapor state.

Process 2-3: The water is cooled at constant volume to 150°C.

- 1- For the overall process determine the work, in kJ/kg.
- 2- For the overall process determine the heat transfer, in kJ/kg.

Formulas:

$$\text{Work: } W = \int_{\text{initial state}}^{\text{final state}} P dv$$

First law of thermodynamics for a closed system: $\Delta U = Q - W$ (neglecting ΔE_k and ΔE_p)