

Physics I Lecture 19-The First Law of Thermodynamics-I

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1. HEAT AND INTERNAL ENERGY

Internal energy: It is the total energy that includes the translational energy, the rotational energy, and the vibrational energy of all atoms belonging to the system.

Heat: It is one kind of energy transfer process. It stands for energy transfer from high temperature substances to low temperature substances.

Heat is either a transfer of energy due to an entropy change. In a microscopic viewpoint, it originates from an increase or a decrease of the number of microstates.

Units of heat: A calorie is the heat energy to raise the temperature of 1-g water from 14.5 to 15.5°C.

Mechanical equivalent of heat – Joule's experiment: It is experimentally confirmed that the mechanical energy of 4.18 J is equivalent to 1 calorie of heat energy. It is known as the mechanical equivalence of heat.

$$1 \text{ cal} = 4.186 \text{ J}, 1 \text{ Cal} = 1000 \text{ cal}$$

1. HEAT AND INTERNAL ENERGY

Example: A student eats a dinner containing 2000 Calories of energy. He wishes to do an equivalent amount of work in the gym by lifting a 50-kg object. How many times must he raise the object to consume the earned energy? Assume that he raise it for a distance of 2 m each time.

$$E = 2000 \text{ Cal} = 2000 \times 1000 \times 4.186 = 8.37 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$$

$$E_{\text{lift}} = 50 \times 9.8 \times 2 = 980 \text{ J}$$

$$N = \frac{E}{E_{\text{lift}}} = \frac{8.37 \times 10^6}{980} = 8540$$



2. SPECIFIC HEAT AND CALORIMETRY

Specific heat: A quantity of energy ΔQ is transferred to a mass m of a substance and changing its temperature by ΔT .

The heat capacity c : $c = \Delta Q / \Delta T$

The specific heat per unit mass $C_m = c/m = \Delta Q / m \Delta T$

The specific heat: $\text{J kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$

Fe	Cu	Ag	Al	Steel	Wood	Water	Air
470	390	230	900	500	1800	4186	1000

Calorimetry: measurement of the specific heat of unknown substances

place the hot object of temperature T_h and mass m_x into a vessel containing cold water of temperature T_c , mass m_w and measure the equilibrium temperature T_{eq} .

$$m_w C_{m,w} (T_{eq} - T_c) = m_x C_{m,x} (T_h - T_{eq}) \quad C_{m,x} = \frac{m_w C_{m,w} (T_{eq} - T_c)}{m_x (T_h - T_{eq})}$$

2. SPECIFIC HEAT AND CALORIMETRY

Example: The temperature of a 0.0500-kg ingot of metal is raised to 200°C and the ingot is then dropped into a light, insulated beaker containing 0.400 kg of water initially at 20.0°C. If the final equilibrium temperature of the mixed system is 22.4°C, find the specific heat of the metal.

$$m_x = 0.05, m_w = 0.4, T_h = 200^\circ\text{C}, T_c = 20^\circ\text{C}, T_{eq} = 22.4^\circ\text{C}$$

$$C_{m,w} = 4186 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{kg K}}$$

$$C_{m,x} = \frac{m_w c_w (T_{eq} - T_c)}{m_x (T_h - T_{eq})} = \frac{(0.4)(4186)(22.4 - 20)}{(0.05)(200 - 22.4)} = 453 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{kg K}}$$

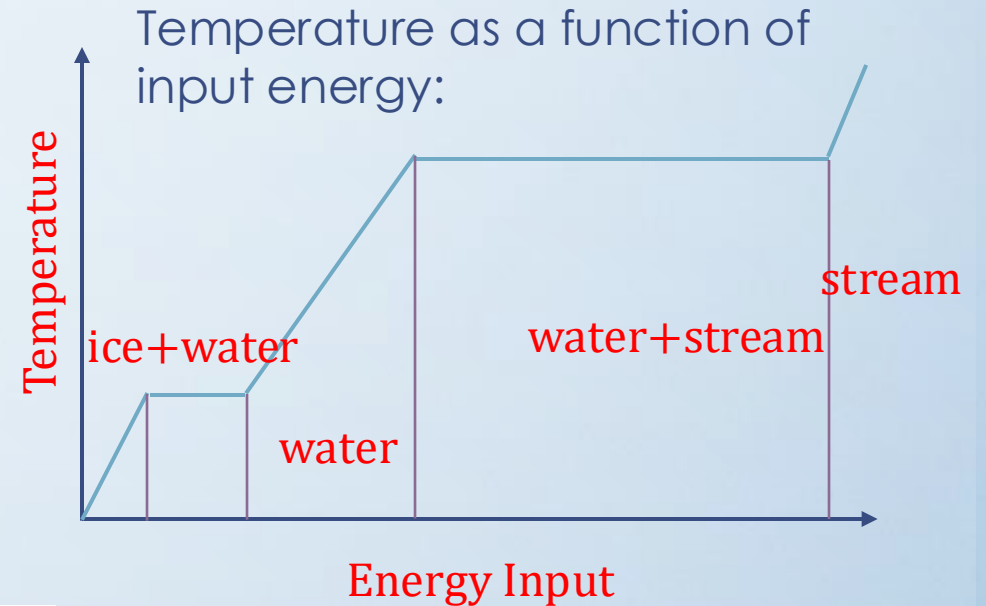
3. LATENT HEAT

Latent heat: It is the heat energy required for the phase transition from a solid to a liquid phase or from a liquid to a gas phase for substances.

Latent heat: $L = \Delta Q / m$

Latent heat of fusion: L_f

Latent heat of vaporization: L_v



Substance	Melting point	L_f	Boiling point	L_v (J / kg)
He	0.95 K		4.22 K	2.09×10^4
H ₂	14.15 K		20.15 K	
N ₂	63.15 K		77.35 K	2.01×10^5
water	0°C	3.33×10^5	100°C	2.26×10^6
Pb	327.3°C		1750°C	
Al	660°C		2450°C	

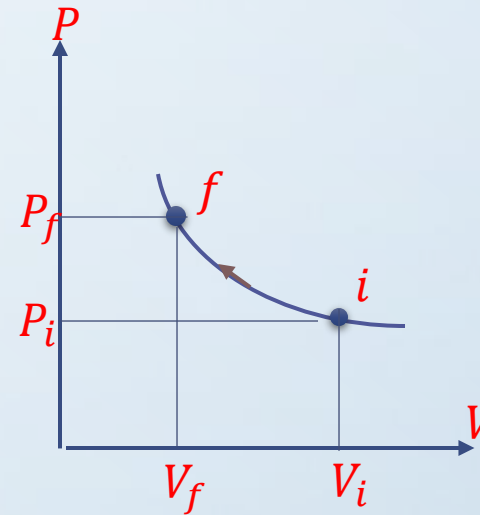
4. WORK AND HEAT IN THERMODYNAMICS

If the gas is compressed quasi-statically (slowly enough) to be remained in thermal equilibrium at all times, the work done on the gas is

$$dW = \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = -Fdy = -PA dy = -PdV$$

dy is in the direction of volume expansion
 F is in the volume compression direction

$$\Delta W = W = - \int_{V_i}^{V_f} PdV$$



Consider a compression of the volume of gas, its work is positive.
A positive work means an increase of energy in the gas system.

4. WORK AND HEAT IN THERMODYNAMICS

Example: An ideal gas is taken through two processes in which $P_f = 1.0 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$, $V_f = 2.0 \text{ m}^3$, $P_i = 0.20 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$, and $V_i = 10 \text{ m}^3$. For process 1, the temperature remains constant. For process 2, the pressure remains constant and then the volume remains constant. What is the ratio of the work W_1 done on the gas in the first process to the work W_2 done in the second process?

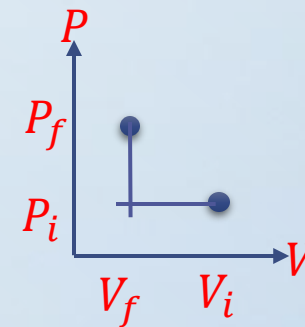
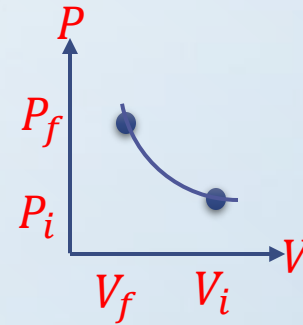
$$P_i V_i = P_f V_f = 2.0 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$$

$$\text{Process 1: } \Delta W = - \int_{V_i}^{V_f} P dV = - \int_{10}^2 \frac{2.0 \times 10^5}{V} dV$$

$$W_1 = -2.0 \times 10^5 \ln\left(\frac{2.0}{10}\right) = 3.2 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$$

$$\text{Process 2: } \Delta W = -P_i \int_{V_i}^{V_f} dV = -(0.2 \times 10^5)(2.0 - 10)$$

$$W_2 = 1.6 \times 10^5 \text{ J} \quad \frac{W_1}{W_2} = 2$$

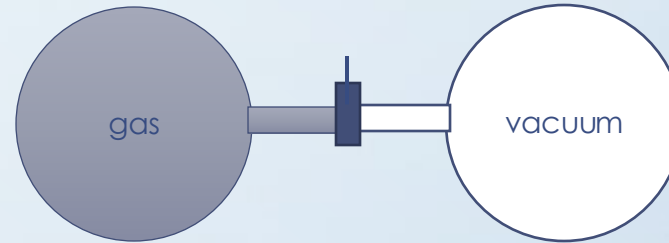


4. WORK AND HEAT IN THERMODYNAMICS

Isothermal expansion: A gas at temperature T expands slowly while absorbing energy from a reservoir to maintain the constant temperature.

Free expansion: A gas expands rapidly into an evacuated region after a membrane is broken.

$$PV = nRT = \text{const} \rightarrow P = \frac{nRT}{V}$$



The two kinds of expansions give the same results of a decrease of work energy and an increase of heat energy.

Note that here the absorption of heat energy originates from an increase of microstates due to the volume expansion.

$$\Delta W = W = - \int_{V_i}^{V_f} \frac{nRT}{V} dV = nRT \ln \left(\frac{V_i}{V_f} \right), \Delta E = 0 \rightarrow \Delta Q = -\Delta W$$

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5. THE FIRST LAW OF THERMODYNAMICS

The first law of thermodynamics: It is a special case of the law of conservation of energy.

$$\Delta E_{int} = \Delta Q + \Delta W$$

The change of internal energy is independent of the path.

A cyclic process which starts and ends at the same state gives no changes of its internal energy.

$$\Delta E_{int} = 0 \rightarrow \Delta Q + \Delta W = 0 \rightarrow \Delta Q = -\Delta W$$

In the cyclic process, the net work done on the system per cycle equals the area enclosed by the path representing the process on the P-V diagram

6. SOME APPLICATIONS OF THE 1ST LAW

Equations for an ideal gas:

$$PV = Nk_B T = nRT \quad \Delta W = -P\Delta V = -\int P dV \quad \Delta E_{int} = \Delta Q + \Delta W$$

In Chapter 20, we will learn that the total energy is $E = 3Nk_B T/2$.

Adiabatic process: $\Delta Q = 0 \rightarrow \Delta E_{int} = \Delta W$

Isothermal process: $\Delta E_{int} = 0, PV = \text{const} \rightarrow \Delta Q = -\Delta W$

Isovolumetric process: $\Delta V = 0 \rightarrow \Delta W = 0 \rightarrow \Delta E_{int} = \Delta Q$

Isobaric process: $\Delta P = 0 \rightarrow \Delta W = -P\Delta V, \Delta E_{int} = \Delta Q + \Delta W$

7. THERMAL ENERGY TRANSFER

The three typical types of energy transfer are conduction, convection, and radiation. In all mechanisms of heat transfer, the rate of cooling of a body is approximately proportional to the temperature difference between the body and its surrounding.

$$R_{heat} = I_{heat} = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta t} = P \propto \Delta T = (T_{body} - T_{surrounding})$$

Thermal conduction:

$$I_{heat} = P = kA \frac{\Delta T}{L}$$

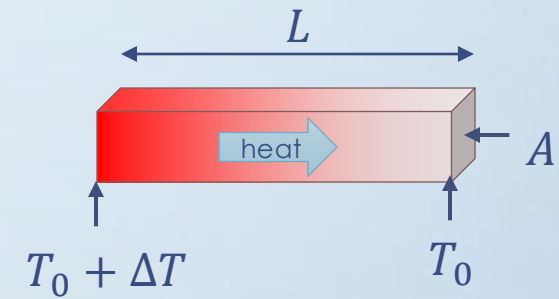
k: thermal conductivity, 1/k: thermal resistivity

$$\Delta T = I_{heat} \left(\frac{1}{k} \right) \frac{L}{A} \quad \text{compare with } V = IR, R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$$

Connected in series: $R = R_1 + R_2 + \dots$

Connected in parallel: total conductance = sum of each conductance, $G = G_1 +$

$$G_2 + \dots, \left(\frac{1}{R} \right) = \left(\frac{1}{R_1} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{R_2} \right) + \dots$$



7. THERMAL ENERGY TRANSFER

Thermal conductivity of materials in the unit of $\text{Wm}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$:

Fe	Cu	Ag	Al	Steel	Wood	Water	Air
80	401	429	210	46	0.13	0.58	0.026

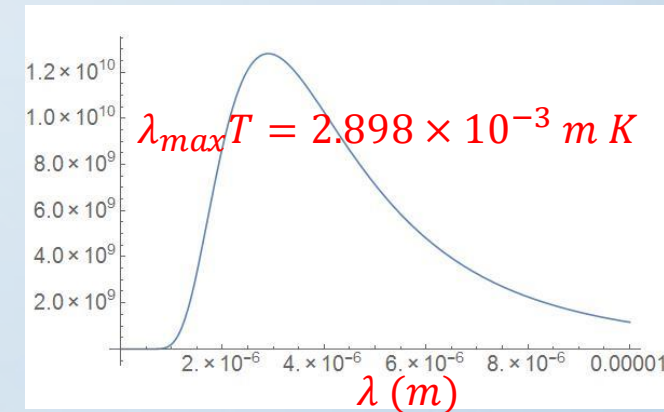
Note that the mass specific heat for Fe and Water are 470 and 4186 $\text{J kg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$.

Thermal radiation: Stephan-Boltzmann law: $P = \sigma AeT^4$, where $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2\text{K}^4}$ is the universal constant (Stephan's constant) and e is the emissivity of the object. The value of the emissivity is between 0 and 1.

Newton's coffee cooling:

$$T = T_0 + \Delta T$$

$$\Delta P = \sigma Ae(T^4 - T_0^4) \cong 4\sigma AeT_0^3\Delta T$$



7. THERMAL ENERGY TRANSFER

Example: Two slabs of the same area A , thickness L_1 and L_2 and thermal conductivities k_1 and k_2 are in thermal contact with each other. The temperature of their outer surfaces are T_c and T_h , respectively, and $T_h > T_c$. Determine the temperature at the interface and the rate of energy transfer by conduction through the slabs in the steady-state condition.

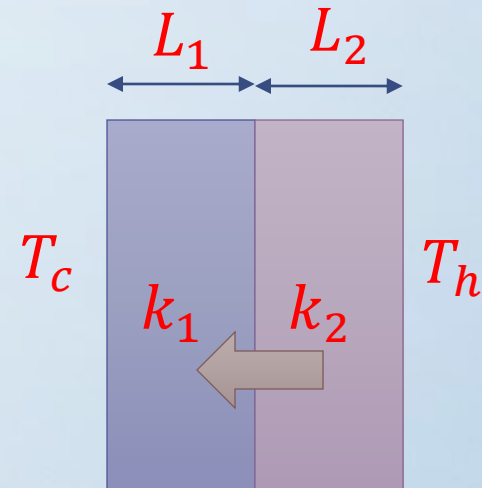
assume the temperature T at the interface between the two slabs

$$P_1 = \frac{k_1 A (T - T_c)}{L_1} = P_2 = \frac{k_2 A (T_h - T)}{L_2} \rightarrow k_1 L_2 (T - T_c) = k_2 L_1 (T_h - T)$$

$$T = \frac{k_1 L_2 T_c + k_2 L_1 T_h}{k_1 L_2 + k_2 L_1}, P_1 = P_2 = \frac{A (T_h - T_c)}{\frac{L_1}{k_1} + \frac{L_2}{k_2}}$$

$$I_{\text{heat}} = \frac{\Delta T}{R_{\text{heat}}}, R_{\text{heat}} = \frac{L}{kA} \quad R_t = R_1 + R_2 = \frac{L_1}{k_1 A} + \frac{L_2}{k_2 A}$$

$$I_{\text{heat}} = P_1 = P_2 = \frac{T_h - T_c}{\frac{L_1}{k_1 A} + \frac{L_2}{k_2 A}}$$



7. THERMAL ENERGY TRANSFER

Example: The inside (radius a) of a hollow cylinder is maintained at a temperature T_a while the outside (radius b) is a lower temperature, T_b . The cylinder has a length of L and thermal conductivity k . Ignoring end effects, please calculate the rate of energy transfer from the inner to the outer surface.

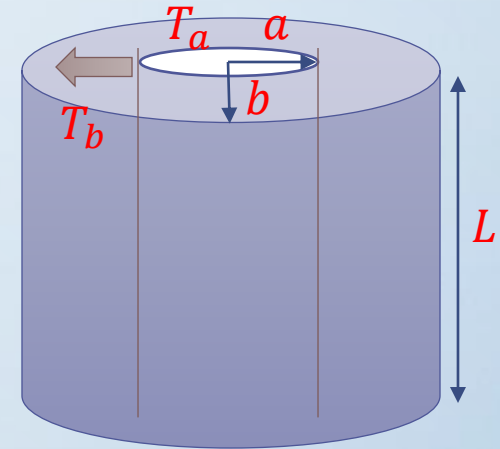
confirm that the thermal resistances are connected in series

$$\Delta T = I_{heat} \left(\frac{1}{k} \right) \frac{L}{A}$$

$$R_{heat} = \frac{L}{kA}$$

$$dR = \frac{dr}{k(2\pi rL)} \rightarrow R = \int_a^b \frac{dr}{k(2\pi rL)} = \frac{\ln(b/a)}{2\pi kL}$$

$$P = I_{heat} = \frac{\Delta T}{R} = \frac{2\pi kL(T_a - T_b)}{\ln(b/a)}$$



7. THERMAL ENERGY TRANSFER

Example: A spherical shell has an inner radius r and outer radius R . It is made of material with thermal conductivity k . The interior is maintained at temperature T_1 and the exterior is maintained at temperature T_2 . After an interval of time, the shell reaches a steady state with the temperature at each point within it remaining constant in time. Please calculate the rate of energy conduction from the interior to the exterior.

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = k \frac{A}{l} \Delta T$$

Check if the conducting channels are connected in series or in parallel. In this case, the conducting channels are connected in series.

$$G_H = k \frac{A}{l}, R_H = \frac{1}{k} \frac{l}{A}$$

$$dR_H = \frac{1}{k} \frac{dr}{4\pi r^2} \rightarrow R_{H,total} = \frac{1}{k} \int_r^R \frac{dr}{4\pi r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi k} \left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{R} \right)$$

$$G_{H,total} = 4\pi k \frac{Rr}{R-r} \rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dt} = G_{H,total} \Delta T \rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dt} = 4\pi k \frac{Rr}{R-r} (T_1 - T_2)$$

7. THERMAL ENERGY TRANSFER

Example: Estimate the order of magnitude of the temperature of the filament of a 100 W lightbulb when it is operating. To model the filament as a cylinder 10.0 cm long with a radius of 0.0500 mm. The emissivity of the filament is 1.

$$P = \sigma A e T^4$$

$$\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \frac{W}{m^2 K^4}, e = 1$$

$$A = 2\pi r L = 2\pi(5.0 \times 10^{-5})(1.0 \times 10^{-1}) = 3.14 \times 10^{-5} m^2$$

$$T = \left(\frac{P}{\sigma A e} \right)^{1/4} = 2740 K$$

EXERCISE

(a) Derive an expression for the buoyant force on a spherical balloon, submerged in water, as a function of the depth h below the surface, the volume V_i of the balloon at the surface, the pressure P_0 at the surface, and the density ρ_w of the water. (10%) (b) At what depth is the buoyant force one-half of the surface value?

$$P_0 V_i = (P_0 + \rho_w g h) V_f \rightarrow V_f = \frac{P_0 V_i}{P_0 + \rho_w g h}$$

$$F_b = \rho_w V_f g = \frac{\rho_w P_0 V_i g}{P_0 + \rho_w g h}$$

$$\frac{\rho_w P_0 V_i g}{P_0 + \rho_w g h} = \frac{1}{2} \rho_w V_i g \rightarrow h = \frac{P_0}{\rho_w g}$$

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