

10/3 Lecture outline

- Finish up some stuff from end of last lecture: Ideal gas, and adiabatic: $PdV = -C_V dT$, $VdP = C_P dT$, $C_V VdP = -C_P PdV$. $dP/P = -\gamma dV/V$, so $PV^\gamma = \text{constant}$. $(\frac{\partial P}{\partial V})_{adi} = -\gamma P/V = \gamma (\frac{\partial P}{\partial V})_T > (\frac{\partial P}{\partial V})_T$. So adiabatic curve has steeper slope than isothermal curve in P/V diagram. See here $\kappa_T = \gamma \kappa_{adi}$ (and more generally too).

- Examples of ΔW for ideal gasses and various processes (segue into today's topic: inter-conversion of heat and work – theory of heat engines):

1. isothermal: $\Delta U = 0$. $\Delta Q = \Delta W = nRT \ln(V_f/V_i)$
2. isochoric: $\Delta W = 0$. $\Delta Q = \Delta U = C_V \Delta T$
3. isobaric: $\Delta W = P\Delta V = nR\Delta T$. $\Delta Q = C_P \Delta T = (C_V + nR)\Delta T$
4. adiabatic: $\Delta Q = 0$. $\Delta W = -\Delta U = -C_V \Delta T$.

- Efficiency $\eta \equiv |W|/|Q_H|$. E.g. isothermal expansion of ideal gas: $|W| = |Q| = nRT \ln(P_i/P_f)$ has $\eta = 1$, but this is a one-shot process. Final state differs from initial.

- For an engine, want cyclic process, coming back to starting state, i.e. closed loop in P/V diagram. For complete cycle, $\Delta U = 0$ (state variable). Total work of process = $|W|$ = area enclosed by cycle in P/V diagram. In process, some heat $|Q_H|$ is taken out of some hot working substance (e.g. boiler), and then some heat is ejected into cold area (e.g. the smoke going out into the atmosphere). $|W| = |Q_H| - |Q_C|$, so $\eta = 1 - |Q_C|/|Q_H|$. To maximize η , want to minimize ΔQ . But this is generally impossible!

- Refrigerator performance: $\omega = |Q_C|/|W|$.

- Preview of 2nd law: (Claiius) *no device can be made that operates in a cycle and whose **SOLE** effect is to transfer heat from cooler to hotter body*. Relate to the statement that every engine has to deliver some wasted heat to the colder body, i.e. that $\eta < 1$ for cyclic process.