

ROHINI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY
ME 3391 ENGINEERING THERMODYNAMICS
DIGITAL NOTES



An engine is tested by means of a water brake at 1000 rpm. The measured torque of the engine is 10000 mN and the water consumption of the brake is 0.5 m³/s, its inlet temperature being 20°C. Calculate the water temperature at exit, assuming that the whole of the engine power is ultimately transformed into heat which is absorbed by the cooling water.

(Ans. 20.5°C)

Solution: Power = $T \cdot \omega$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 10000 \times \left(\frac{2\pi \times 1000}{60} \right) \\
 &= 1.0472 \times 10^6 \text{ W} \\
 &= 1.0472 \text{ MW}
 \end{aligned}$$

Let final temperature = $t^\circ\text{C}$

\therefore Heat absorb by cooling water / unit = $\dot{m} \cdot s \cdot \Delta t$

$$= \dot{V} \rho s \Delta t$$

$$= 0.5 \times 1000 \times 4.2 \times (t - 20)$$

$$\therefore 0.5 \times 1000 \times 4.2 \times (t - 20) = 1.0472 \times 10^6$$

$$\therefore t - 20 = 0.4986 \approx 0.5$$

$$\therefore t = 20.5^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\therefore U_2 - U_1 = -21.85 \text{ kJ}$$

The internal energy of the gas decreases by 21.85 kJ in the process.

In a cyclic process, heat transfers are + 14.7 kJ, - 25.2 kJ, - 3.56 kJ and + 31.5 kJ. What is the net work for this cyclic process?

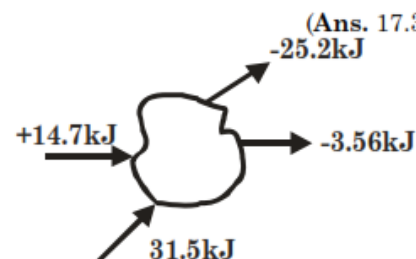
(Ans. 17.34 kJ)

Solution : $\sum Q = (14.7 + 31.5 - 25.2 - 3.56) \text{ kJ}$
 $= 17.44 \text{ kJ}$

From first law of thermodynamics
 (for a cyclic process)

$$\sum Q = \sum W$$

$$\therefore \sum W = 17.44 \text{ kJ}$$



During one cycle the working fluid in an engine engages in two work interactions: 15 kJ to the fluid and 44 kJ from the fluid, and three heat interactions, two of which are known: 75 kJ to the fluid and 40 kJ from the fluid. Evaluate the magnitude and direction of the third heat transfer.

(Ans. - 6 kJ)

Solution: From first law of thermodynamics

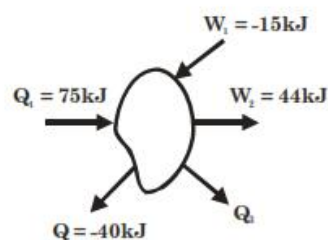
$$\sum dQ = \sum dW$$

$$\therefore Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_3 = W_1 + W_2$$

$$\text{or } 75 - 40 + Q_3 = -15 + 44$$

$$Q_3 = -6 \text{ kJ}$$

i.e. 6 kJ from the system



A domestic refrigerator is loaded with food and the door closed. During a certain period the machine consumes 1 kWh of energy and the internal energy of the system drops by 5000 kJ. Find the net heat transfer for the system.

(Ans. - 8.6 MJ)

Solution: $Q = \Delta E + W$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{2-1} &= (E_2 - E_1) + W_{2-1} \\ &= -5000 \text{ kJ} + \frac{-1000 \times 3600}{1000} \text{ kJ} \\ &= -8.6 \text{ MJ} \end{aligned}$$



1.5 kg of liquid having a constant specific heat of 2.5 kJ/kg K is stirred in a well-insulated chamber causing the temperature to rise by 15°C. Find ΔE and W for the process.

(Ans. $\Delta E = 56.25 \text{ kJ}$, $W = -56.25 \text{ kJ}$)

Solution: Heat added to the system $= 1.5 \times 2.5 \times 15 \text{ kJ}$
 $= 56.25 \text{ kJ}$
 $\therefore \Delta E \text{ rise} = 56.25 \text{ kJ}$
 As it is insulated then $\Delta Q = 0$
 $\therefore \Delta Q = \Delta E + W$
 or $0 = 56.25 + W$
 or $W = -56.25 \text{ kJ}$

A system composed of 2 kg of the above fluid expands in a frictionless piston and cylinder machine from an initial state of 1 MPa, 100°C to a final temperature of 30°C. If there is no heat transfer, find the net work for the process.

(Ans. 100.52 kJ)

Heat transfer is not there so

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \Delta E + W \\ W &= -\Delta E \\ &= -\Delta U \\ &= -\int_1^2 C_v dT \\ &= -0.718(T_2 - T_1) \\ &= -0.718(100 - 30) \\ &= -50.26 \text{ kJ/kg} \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Total work (W) $= 2 \times (-50.26) = -100.52 \text{ kJ}$

A mass of 8 kg gas expands within a flexible container so that the $p-v$ relationship is of the form $pv^{1.2} = \text{constant}$. The initial pressure is 1000 kPa and the initial volume is 1 m^3 . The final pressure is 5 kPa. If specific internal energy of the gas decreases by 40 kJ/kg, find the heat transfer in magnitude and direction.

(Ans. + 2615 kJ)

Solution:

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1}\right)^{\frac{n-1}{n}} = \left(\frac{V_1}{V_2}\right)^{n-1}$$

$$\therefore \frac{p_2}{p_1} = \left(\frac{V_1}{V_2}\right)^n$$

$$\text{or } \frac{V_2}{V_1} = \left(\frac{p_1}{p_2}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$\text{or } V_2 = V_1 \times \left(\frac{p_1}{p_2}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$= 1 \times \left(\frac{1000}{5}\right)^{\frac{1}{1.2}} = 82.7 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\therefore W = \frac{p_1 V_1 - p_2 V_2}{n-1}$$

$$= \frac{1000 \times 1 - 5 \times 82.7}{1.2-1} = 2932.5 \text{ kJ}$$

$$\Delta E = -8 \times 40 = -320 \text{ kJ}$$

$$\therefore Q = \Delta E + W = -320 + 2932.5 = 2612.5 \text{ kJ}$$

An imaginary engine receives heat and does work on a slowly moving piston at such rates that the cycle of operation of 1 kg of working fluid can be represented as a circle 10 cm in diameter on a $p-v$ diagram on which 1 cm = 300 kPa and 1 cm = $0.1 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$.

- How much work is done by each kg of working fluid for each cycle of operation?
- The thermal efficiency of an engine is defined as the ratio of work done and heat input in a cycle. If the heat rejected by the engine in a cycle is 1000 kJ per kg of working fluid, what would be its thermal efficiency?

(Ans. (a) 2356.19 kJ/kg, (b) 0.702)

Solution: Given Diameter = 10 cm

$$\therefore \text{Area} = \frac{\pi \times 10^2}{4} \text{ cm}^2 = 78.54 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$1 \text{ cm}^2 = 300 \text{ kPa} \times 0.1 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$$

$$= 30 \text{ kJ}$$

$$\therefore \text{Total work done} = 78.54 \times 30 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

$$= 2356.2 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

Heat rejected = 1000 kJ

$$\text{Therefore, } \eta = \frac{2356.2}{2356.2 + 1000} \times 100\%$$

$$= 70.204\%$$

