

Structure of Matter

Problem Sheet 1 Answers

1. (a) $N = \frac{PV}{k_B T} = \frac{0.5 \times 10^3}{1.38 \times 10^{-23} \cdot 300} = 1.22 \times 10^{25}$
 (b) $V = \frac{N_m R T}{P} = \frac{3 \times 8.31 \times 263}{10^2} = 65.6 \text{ m}^3$
 (c) $V = \frac{8.31 \times 273}{1.01 \times 10^5} = 0.0224 \text{ m}^3 = 22.4 \text{ litres} = 22,400 \text{ cc}$
2. $P = Nk_B T / V = nk_B T$, so $P_e = P_i = 5 \cdot 10^{19} \times 1.38 \cdot 10^{-23} \times 10^8 = 6.9 \cdot 10^4 \text{ Pa}$

$$P_{Total} = P_e + P_i = 1.38 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Pa} = 1.37 \text{ atmospheres}$$

$$U_i = U_e = \frac{3}{2} Nk_B T = \frac{3}{2} PV = \frac{3}{2} \times 6.9 \cdot 10^4 \times 10^3 = 1.03 \cdot 10^8 \text{ J}$$

$$U_{Total} = U_i + U_e = 2.07 \cdot 10^8 \text{ J}$$

3. (a)

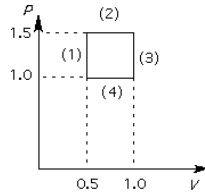


Figure 1: default

- (b) Using $\frac{P_1 V_1}{T_1} = Nk_B = \text{constant}$, so

$$(1) \frac{1 \cdot 0.5}{300} = \frac{1.5 \cdot 0.5}{T_1} \rightarrow T_1 = 450 \text{ K} \rightarrow \Delta T = 150 \text{ K}$$

$$(2) \frac{1.5 \cdot 0.5}{450} = \frac{1.5 \cdot 1}{T_2} \rightarrow T_2 = 900 \text{ K} \rightarrow \Delta T = 450 \text{ K}$$

$$(3) \frac{1.5 \cdot 1}{900} = \frac{1 \cdot 1}{T_3} \rightarrow T_3 = 600 \text{ K} \rightarrow \Delta T = -300 \text{ K}$$

$$(4) \frac{1 \cdot 1}{300} = \frac{1 \cdot 0.5}{T_4} \rightarrow T_4 = 300 \text{ K} \rightarrow \Delta T = -300 \text{ K}$$

- (c) $\Delta U = \frac{3}{2} Nk_B (T_1 - T_0) = \frac{3}{2} (P_1 V_1 - P_0 V_0)$ so,

$$(1) \Delta U = \frac{3}{2} (1.5 \cdot 1.01 \times 10^5 \cdot 0.5 - 1.0 \cdot 1.01 \times 10^5 \cdot 0.5) = 3.79 \times 10^4 \text{ J}$$

$$(2) \Delta U = \frac{3}{2} (1.5 \cdot 1.01 \times 10^5 \cdot 1.0 - 1.5 \cdot 1.01 \times 10^5 \cdot 0.5) = 11.36 \times 10^4 \text{ J}$$

$$(3) \Delta U = \frac{3}{2} (1.0 \cdot 1.01 \times 10^5 \cdot 1.0 - 1.5 \cdot 1.01 \times 10^5 \cdot 1.0) = -7.64 \times 10^4 \text{ J}$$

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- (d) $\Delta U_{total} = 0$ (take care of rounding errors!)

(e) $\Delta W = - \int P dV$

(1) $dV = 0 \rightarrow \Delta W = 0$

(2) $P = \text{cont}$, so $\Delta W = -P\Delta V = -1.5 \cdot 1.01 \times 10^5 \cdot (1.0 - 0.5) = -7.57 \cdot 10^4 \text{ J}$

(3) $dV = 0 \rightarrow \Delta W = 0$

(4) $\Delta W = -P\Delta V = -1.0 \cdot 1.01 \times 10^5 \cdot (0.5 - 1.0) = 5.05 \cdot 10^4 \text{ J}$

(f) So ΔW by gas = $-7.57 \cdot 10^4 + 5.05 \cdot 10^4 = 2.52 \cdot 10^4 \text{ J}$

- (g) In each stage heat enters or leaves the system (as well as the work done). During part (1) and (2) heat must have been put into the system.

- (h) The work done is the area bounded by the path in the PV diagram.

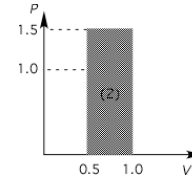


Figure 2: Work done by gas in (2)

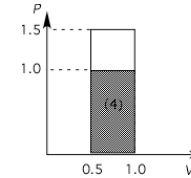


Figure 3: Work done on gas in (4)

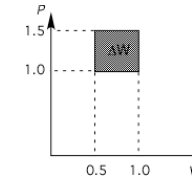


Figure 4: Total work done by gas

4. (a) $N = \frac{PV}{k_B T} = \frac{1.01 \cdot 10^5 \times 1}{1.38 \times 10^{-23} \cdot 300} = 2.42 \times 10^{25}$ molecules.

$$N_m = N/N_A = 2.42 \times 10^{25} / 6.02 \times 10^{23} = 40.1 \text{ moles}$$

$$m = N_m \cdot A \text{ (atomic mass) g} = 40.1 \cdot 40.0 = 1.6 \text{ kg}$$

(b) $C_V = \frac{3}{2} Nk_B = \frac{3}{2} N_m R = \frac{3}{2} \cdot 40.1 \cdot 8.31 = 500 \text{ JK}^{-1}$

$$C_P = \frac{5}{2} \cdot 40.1 \cdot 8.31 = 833 \text{ JK}^{-1}$$

$$C_P / C_V = 1.67.$$

(c) $c_V = C_V / m = 500 / 1.6 = 312 \text{ JK}^{-1} \text{ kg}^{-1}$

$$c_P = C_P / m = 833 / 1.6 = 521 \text{ JK}^{-1} \text{ kg}^{-1}$$

$$c_P / c_V = 1.67.$$

(d) $C_{V_m} = C_V / N_m = 500 / 40.1 = 12.5 \text{ JK}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

$$c_{P_m} = C_P / N_m = 833 / 40.1 = 20.8 \text{ JK}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$C_{P_m} / C_{V_m} = 1.67.$$

5. (a) Blocks end up at same temp T and have same change in heat, so
 $C(T - 323) * 5 + C(T - 273) * 10 = 0 \rightarrow 15T = (273 * 10) + (323 * 5)$
 $\rightarrow T = 289.7K = 16.7^\circ C$
- (b) Mass exhaled each breath = $0.5 * 1.3 * 10^{-3} = 6.5 * 10^{-4}$ kg
 Energy lost per breath = $1020 * 6.5 * 10^{-4} * (37 - 20) = 11.3$ J
 Total per hour = $11.3 * 20 * 60 = 13.6$ kJ (equivalent to 3.8 W)
- (c) Heat flow due to radiation = $\sigma(T_1^4 - T_2^4) * A = 5.67 * 10^{-8} (308^4 - 293^4) * 5 * 10^{-2} = 4.6$ W
 So heat loss in one hour = $4.6 * 3600 = 16.6$ kJ
- (d) Total energy change = $50 * 100 * 360 = 1.8 * 10^7$ J
 So $\Delta T = \Delta Q / C = \frac{1.8 * 10^7}{1020 * 1.3 * 10^{-3} * 4 * 10^6} = 3.4^\circ C$
6. (a) $dQ = 0$ so first law becomes $dU = -PdV = -\frac{Nk_B T}{V} dV$ (using ideal gas EOS)
 also $U = \frac{n_d}{2} Nk_B T \rightarrow dU = \frac{n_d}{2} Nk_B dT$
 equate the above for $dU \rightarrow -\frac{Nk_B T}{V} dV = \frac{n_d}{2} Nk_B dT$
 divide through to get: $\frac{dT}{T} = -\frac{2}{n_d} \frac{dV}{V}$.
- (b) $\ln T = -\frac{2}{n_d} \ln V + c_1 = \ln V^{-2/n_d} + \ln c_2$ (c_1 and c_2 are constants)
 $\rightarrow TV^{2/n_d} = c_2$.
- (c) Using $c_3 * T = PV \rightarrow P * V * V^{2/n_d} = c_2 / c_3 = c_4$ (c_3 and c_4 are constants)
 $\rightarrow PV^{(2+n_d)/n_d} = c_4$
 but $\gamma = \frac{C_P}{C_V} = \frac{(\frac{n_d}{2} Nk_B + Nk_B)}{\frac{n_d}{2} Nk_B} = \frac{n_d + 2}{n_d}$
 So $PV^\gamma = c_4$ For ideal gas $n_d = 3$, so $\gamma = 5/3$
- (d) $P_1 V_1^\gamma = P_0 V_0^\gamma \rightarrow P_1 = P_0 (V_0 / 2V_0)^\gamma = P_0 (1/2)^{5/3} \approx 0.315 P_0$
 For isotherm, $P_1 V_1 = P_0 V_0 \rightarrow P_1 = P_0 (V_0 / 2V_0) = 0.5 P_0$
 So adiabat is steeper than the isotherm.

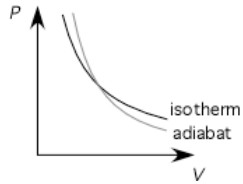


Figure 5: Isotherm and adiabat

7. (a) $dQ = 0 \rightarrow dW = dU = C_V dT$
 $\rightarrow \Delta W = \int W = \int U = C_V (T_1 - T_0)$
- (b) $\Delta W = -\int PdV = -\int AV^{-\gamma} dV = -\frac{A}{1-\gamma} [V^{1-\gamma}]_{V_0}^{V_1}$
 where A is a constant, but $AV^{-\gamma} = P$, so
 $\Delta W = \frac{1}{(\gamma - 1)} [P_i V_i]_0^1 = \frac{1}{(\gamma - 1)} (P_1 V_1 - P_0 V_0)$
- (c) $\gamma - 1 = (n_d + 2) / n_d - 1 = 2 / n_d$, so
 $\Delta W = \frac{1}{(\gamma - 1)} (P_1 V_1 - P_0 V_0) = \frac{Nk_B}{2/n_d} (T_1 - T_0) = (n_d Nk_B / 2) (T_1 - T_0)$
 $\rightarrow \Delta W = C_V (T_1 - T_0)$ as before
8. (a) $v_s = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma P}{\rho}} \rightarrow \gamma = \frac{n_d + 2}{n_d} = \frac{\rho v_s^2}{P} = \frac{nmv_s^2}{nk_B T}$
 $n_d + 2 = n_d \frac{mv_s^2}{k_B T} \rightarrow n_d \left(\frac{mv_s^2}{k_B T} - 1 \right) = 2$
 $\rightarrow n_d = 2 \left(\frac{mv_s^2}{k_B T} - 1 \right)^{-1}$
- (b) $n_d = 2 \left(\frac{4.82 * 10^{-26} * 344^2}{1.38 * 10^{-23} * 293} - 1 \right)^{-1} \approx 5$
- (c) air is mostly diatomic, so might expect $n_d = 7$, but reason is explained in lec. 7