

# Physics 7B Midterm 1

## Problem 1

$$F(\vec{v}) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-m(\vec{v}-\vec{u})^2/2kT}$$

a)1  $\langle \vec{v} \rangle = ?$  A probability distribution function for velocity  $v$  is averaged at 0. In this case, we make a change of variable to  $\vec{w} = \vec{v} - \vec{u}$ . The probability distribution is then written in the more familiar way:  $F(\vec{v}) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-m\vec{w}^2/2kT}$

Since  $\vec{w} = \vec{v} - \vec{u}$ , the velocity average is now shifted by  $\vec{u}$ . Therefore  $\langle \vec{v} \rangle = \vec{u}$ .

a)2  $\langle v^2 \rangle$  From the textbook, we have  $\langle v^2 \rangle = \frac{2}{m} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) kT$ . But since we have velocity =  $\vec{w} = \vec{v} - \vec{u}$ , we have

$$\langle v^2 \rangle = \frac{3}{m} kT + \vec{u}^2$$

a)3  $v_{rms} = ?$  From the textbook, we have

$$v_{rms} = \sqrt{\langle v^2 \rangle}$$

Plugging in, we have

$$v_{rms} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{m} kT\right) + \vec{u}^2}$$

b)  $F(v)$  is maximized when  $\vec{v} = \vec{u}$ :

$$F(\vec{v}) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-m(0)^2/2kT} = \frac{1}{Z}$$

peak velocity:  $\vec{v} = \vec{u}$

Note:

To see why  $\langle v^2 \rangle = \frac{3kT}{m} + u^2$  we note that for  $\vec{w} = \vec{v} - \vec{u}$  the distribution is the standard Maxwell distribution so

$$\langle w^2 \rangle = \frac{3kT}{m}$$

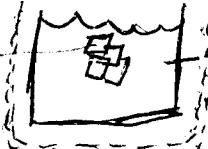
but

$$\begin{aligned}\langle w^2 \rangle &= \langle (\vec{v} - \vec{u})^2 \rangle = \langle v^2 \rangle - 2\langle \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} \rangle + \langle u^2 \rangle \\ &= \langle v^2 \rangle - 2\vec{u} \cdot \langle \vec{v} \rangle + u^2\end{aligned}$$

since  $\langle \vec{v} \rangle = \vec{u}$ , this gives

$$\langle w^2 \rangle = \langle v^2 \rangle - u^2 = \frac{3kT}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle v^2 \rangle = \frac{3kT}{m} + u^2$$

#2) a)   $\Delta Q = 0$

$$\Delta Q_{\text{ice melt}} + \Delta Q_{\text{water cool}} + \Delta Q_{\text{ice water heat}} = 0$$

$$(0.1 \text{ kg}) L_{\text{fusion}} + (-0.2 \text{ kg}) C_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}(6^\circ\text{C} - 49^\circ\text{C}) + (0.1 \text{ kg}) C_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}(6^\circ\text{C} - 0^\circ\text{C}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow L_{\text{fusion}} + 2(1 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}\cdot\text{kg}})(-43 \text{ K}) + 1(1 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}\cdot\text{kg}})(6 \text{ K}) = 0$$

$$L_{\text{fusion}} = 86 \text{ J} - 6 \text{ J} = \boxed{80 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{kg}}}$$

b)  $\Delta S = \Delta S_I + \Delta S_{II} + \Delta S_{III}$

$$\Delta S_I = \frac{m_{\text{ice}} L_{\text{fusion}}}{T} = \frac{(0.1 \text{ kg})(80 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{kg}})}{273 \text{ K}} = \boxed{0.029 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}}$$

$$\Delta S_{II} = m_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} C \int_{273}^{279} \frac{dT}{T} = (0.1 \text{ kg})(1 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}\cdot\text{kg}}) \ln\left(\frac{279}{273}\right) = \boxed{-0.00217 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}}$$

$$\Delta S_{III} = m_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} C \int_{322}^{279} \frac{dT}{T} = (0.2 \text{ kg})(1 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}\cdot\text{kg}}) \ln\left(\frac{279}{322}\right) = \boxed{-0.0286 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}}$$

$$\Delta S = 0.029 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}} + -0.00217 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}} - -0.0286 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}} = \boxed{0.00257 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}}$$

total  $\Delta S$

- \* the ice will melt then heat up from  $0^\circ\text{C}$  to  $6^\circ\text{C}$
- \* the water will cool from  $49^\circ\text{C}$  to  $6^\circ\text{C}$

\* 3 processes are happening

I  $\rightarrow$  the ice melts in the water

II  $\rightarrow$  the newly made water is heated

III  $\rightarrow$  the original water is cooled

### Question Three

$$W_{\text{isothermal}} = P_0 V_0 \ln\left(\frac{V_f}{V_0}\right) \quad W_{\text{isochoric}} = 0 \quad P_0 = \frac{Nk T_0}{V_0}$$

$$Q_{\text{isothermal}} = P_0 V_0 \ln\left(\frac{V_f}{V_0}\right) \quad Q_{\text{isochoric}} = \frac{d}{2} V_0 (P_f - P_0)$$

diatomic  $\rightarrow d=5$

Plug in the above equations for each point on the graph,

$$\text{I}) \quad P_i = \frac{Nk T_i}{V_i} \quad T_i = T_H$$

$$\text{note: } NK = nR$$

$$W_I = T_H N k \ln\left(\frac{V_2}{V_1}\right)$$

$$T_i = T_{II} = T_H$$

$$Q_I = W_I$$

$$T_{III} = T_{IV} = T_C$$

$$\text{II}) \quad \Delta V = 0$$

$$V_i = V_{IV}$$

$$W_{II} = 0$$

$$V_{II} = V_{III}$$

$$Q_{II} = \frac{5}{2} V_2 (P_3 - P_2)$$

$$Q_{II} = \frac{5}{2} N k (T_C - T_H)$$

$$\text{III}) \quad W_{III} = N k T_C \ln\left(\frac{V_1}{V_2}\right)$$

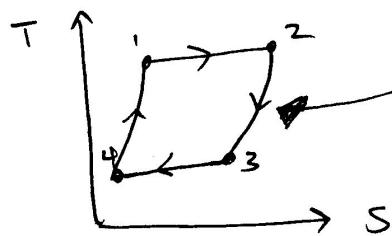
$$W_{III} = Q_{III}$$

$$\text{IV}) \quad W_{IV} = 0$$

$$Q_{IV} = \frac{5}{2} N k (T_H - T_C)$$

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b) This is a Stirling engine



The isochoric legs go as the log

for the isochoric sections

$$dQ = \frac{5}{2} N k dT$$

$$\int dS = \int \frac{dQ}{T} = \frac{5}{2} N k \int \frac{dT}{T} = \frac{5}{2} N k \ln(T) + \text{const.}$$

$$c) e = \frac{W}{Q_H} = \frac{W_I + W_{III}}{Q_I + Q_{IV}}$$

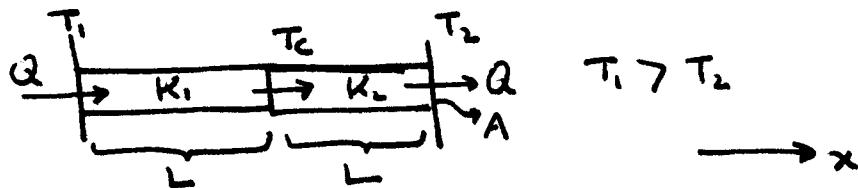
$$= \frac{N k \ln(V_2/V_1)(T_H - T_C)}{T_H N k \ln(V_2/V_1) + \frac{5}{2} N k (T_H - T_C)} \times 100\%$$

$$= \frac{\ln(5)(400 - 300)}{400 \ln(5) + \frac{5}{2}(400 - 300)} \times 100\%$$

$$e = 18\%$$

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(a)

SERIES:

- In steady state. Temperature only depends on location 'x' not time
  - Heat flow  $\frac{dQ}{dt}$  constant throughout.

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \text{CONST} = \frac{K_1 A}{L} (T_1 - T_c) = \frac{K_2 A}{L} (T_c - T_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow K_1 T_1 - K_1 T_c = K_2 T_c - K_2 T_2 \Rightarrow$$

$$T_c = \frac{K_1}{K_1 + K_2} \cdot T_1 + \frac{K_2}{K_1 + K_2} \cdot T_2$$

Plug  $T_c$  into  $\frac{dQ}{dt}$  above, say 1st one:

Temp. at the interface

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = K_1 \frac{A}{L} \left( T_1 - \frac{K_1 T_1}{K_1 + K_2} - \frac{K_2 T_2}{K_1 + K_2} \right) = \frac{K_1 A}{L} \left( K_1 T_1 + K_2 T_1 - K_1 T_1 - K_2 T_2 \right) \cdot \frac{1}{K_1 + K_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{K_1 K_2}{K_1 + K_2} \cdot \frac{A}{L} (T_1 - T_2) = \frac{2 K_1 K_2}{K_1 + K_2} \cdot \frac{A}{2L} (T_1 - T_2)$$

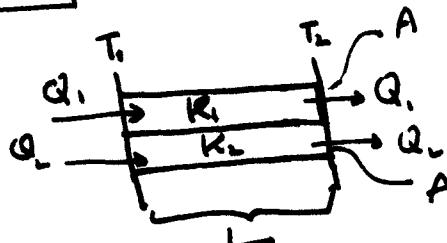
$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{2 K_1 K_2}{K_1 + K_2} \cdot \frac{A}{2L} (T_1 - T_2)$$

$\equiv K_{\text{eff}}$

single rod with length  $2L$ , cross section

$$\Rightarrow K_{\text{eff}} = \frac{2 K_1 K_2}{K_1 + K_2}$$

Check:  $K_1 = K_2 \Rightarrow K_{\text{eff}} = K \checkmark$



$T_1 > T_2$

(b) Parallel:

In steady state heat flow through each constant

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{dQ_1}{dt} + \frac{dQ_2}{dt} = K_1 \frac{A}{L} (T_1 - T_c) + K_2 \frac{A}{L} (T_c - T_2)$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = (K_1 + K_2) \frac{A}{L} (T_1 - T_2) \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \underbrace{\left( \frac{K_1 + K_2}{2} \right)}_{\equiv K_{\text{eff}}} \frac{2A}{L} (T_1 - T_2)$$

$$K_{\text{eff}} = \frac{K_1 + K_2}{2}$$

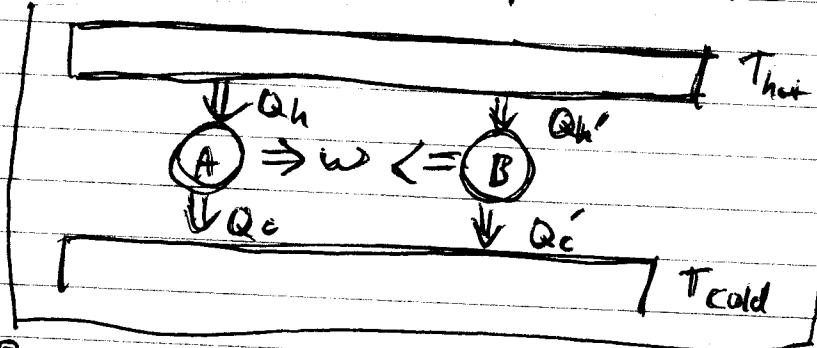
$$\text{Check: } K_1 = K_2 \Rightarrow K_{\text{eff}} = K \checkmark$$

Single rod of  $2A$  and  $L$

(B)  
Suppose there exists a hypothetical engine

greater efficiency than a Carnot Engine (A)

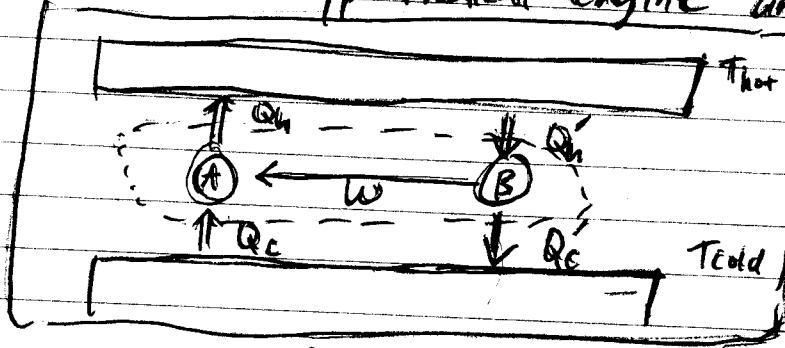
We adjust the cycle of the Carnot engine such that it's work output  $w_{\text{Carnot}} = w_{\text{hypothetical}} = w$ .



This means  
 $Q'_h - Q'_c = w$

$Q_h - Q_c = w$

Since the Carnot engine is reversible, we can turn it into a refrigerator that takes in work  $w$  from the hypothetical engine and energy  $Q_c$  from



the cold reservoir and the outputs energy  $Q_h$  into the hot reservoir.

Let's look at what this means

$$\frac{w}{Q'_h} \rightarrow \frac{w}{Q_h} \Rightarrow Q_h > Q'_h \text{ also}$$

$$Q_c + w = Q_h \geq \Rightarrow Q_c - Q'_c = Q_h - Q'_h > 0$$

$$-Q'_c - w = -Q'_h \geq$$

Look at the net effect of the 2-engine contraption we made. It takes a positive amount of heat ( $Q_c - Q'_c$ ) from the cold reservoir and moves it to the hot reservoir with no work! This violates the 2nd law!

This cannot be!!