

- i. Each line of the following table gives data for a process involving a closed system. Each entry has the same energy units. Determine the missing entries.

Process	$Q_{\text{into sys}}$	$W_{\text{by sys}}$	E_1	E_2	ΔE
a	+50		-20		+70
b		+20		+50	+30
c		-60	+40	+60	
d	-40		+50		0
e	+50	+150		-80	

- ii. A gas contained within a piston-cylinder assembly undergoes two processes, A and B, between the same end states, 1 and 2, where $p_1 = 1$ bar (abs), $V_1 = 1.0 \text{ m}^3$, $U_1 = 400 \text{ kJ}$ and $p_2 = 10$ bar (abs), $V_2 = 0.1 \text{ m}^3$, $U_2 = 450 \text{ kJ}$.
- Process A: Constant-volume process from state 1 to a pressure of 10 bar (abs), followed by a constant-pressure process to state 2.
 - Process B: Process from 1 to 2 during which the pressure-volume relation is $pV = \text{constant}$.

Kinetic and potential energy effects can be ignored. For each of the processes A and B,

- Sketch the process on a p - V diagram.
- Evaluate the work, in kJ.
- Evaluate the heat transfer, in kJ.

SOLUTION:

i. Apply the First Law to the system for each process.

$$\text{Process a: } \Delta E_{sys} = E_2 - E_1 = Q_{into\ sys} - W_{by\ sys}, \quad (1)$$

Using the given values,

$$\Delta E_{sys} = +70, E_1 = -20 \Rightarrow E_2 = +50,$$

$$Q_{into\ sys} = +50 \Rightarrow W_{by\ sys} = -20$$

$$\text{Process b: } \Delta E_{sys} = E_2 - E_1 = Q_{into\ sys} - W_{by\ sys}, \quad (2)$$

Using the given values,

$$\Delta E_{sys} = +30, E_2 = +50 \Rightarrow E_1 = +20,$$

$$W_{by\ sys} = +20 \Rightarrow Q_{into\ sys} = +50$$

$$\text{Process c: } \Delta E_{sys} = E_2 - E_1 = Q_{into\ sys} - W_{by\ sys}, \quad (3)$$

Using the given values,

$$E_1 = +40, E_2 = +60 \Rightarrow \Delta E = +20,$$

$$W_{by\ sys} = -60 \Rightarrow Q_{into\ sys} = -40$$

$$\text{Process d: } \Delta E_{sys} = E_2 - E_1 = Q_{into\ sys} - W_{by\ sys}, \quad (4)$$

Using the given values,

$$E_1 = +50, \Delta E_{sys} = 0 \Rightarrow E_2 = +50,$$

$$Q_{into\ sys} = -40 \Rightarrow W_{by\ sys} = -40$$

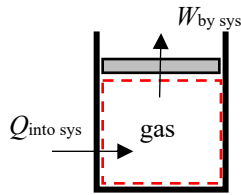
$$\text{Process e: } \Delta E_{sys} = E_2 - E_1 = Q_{into\ sys} - W_{by\ sys}, \quad (5)$$

Using the given values,

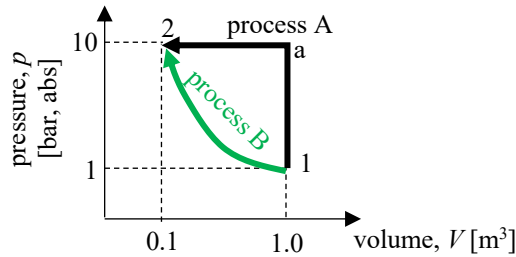
$$Q_{into\ sys} = +50, W_{by\ sys} = +150 \Rightarrow \Delta E = -100,$$

$$E_2 = -80, \Delta E_{sys} = -100 \Rightarrow E_1 = +20$$

ii.



The two processes are sketched on the following p - V plot.



First evaluate the (boundary) work for process A,

$$W_{by\ sys,A} = \underbrace{\int_{V_1}^{V_a} p dV}_{=0 \text{ since } V_a=V_1} + \underbrace{\int_{V_a}^{V_2} p dV}_{=p_2(V_2-V_a) \text{ since } p=\text{constant}} = p_2(V_2 - V_a). \quad (6)$$

Using the given values,

$$p_2 = 10 \text{ bar (abs)} = 10 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Pa (abs)},$$

$$V_2 = 0.1 \text{ m}^3,$$

$$V_1 = 1.0 \text{ m}^3,$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{W_{by\ sys,A} = -900 \text{ kJ}}.$$

Note that this work is equal to the area under the curve (process A) in the p - V plot. The negative sign occurs because work is done on the system (the gas is getting compressed to a smaller volume).

Similarly, the (boundary) work for process B is,

$$W_{by\ sys,B} = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} p dV = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} \underbrace{\frac{c}{V}}_{\text{since } pV=c} dV = c \ln \left(\frac{V_2}{V_1} \right), \quad (7)$$

where the constant can be found using one of the states. For example,

$$p_1 V_1 = c = p_2 V_2, \quad (8)$$

Substituting Eq. (8) into Eq. (7) and using state 1 to find the constant,

$$W_{by\ sys,B} = p_1 V_1 \ln \left(\frac{V_2}{V_1} \right). \quad (9)$$

Using the given values,

$$p_1 = 1 \text{ bar (abs)} = 1 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Pa (abs)},$$

$$V_2 = 0.1 \text{ m}^3,$$

$$V_1 = 1.0 \text{ m}^3,$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 1 \cdot 10^5 \text{ J},$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{W_{by\ sys,B} = -230 \text{ kJ}}.$$

Note that the work for process B is different than the work for process A since a different path is taken.

To determine the energy transferred into the system via heat transfer, apply the First Law to the gas (the system),

$$\Delta E_{sys} = Q_{into\ sys} - W_{by\ sys}, \quad (10)$$

where,

$$\Delta E_{sys} = \Delta U_{sys} + \Delta KE_{sys} + \Delta PE_{sys} \approx \Delta U_{sys} \quad (\text{since } \Delta KE \text{ and } \Delta PE \text{ are negligible}).$$

Substituting and re-arranging,

$$Q_{into\ sys} = \Delta U_{sys} + W_{by\ sys}. \quad (11)$$

Using the given and previously calculated values for process A,

$$\Delta U_{sys} = U_2 - U_1 = 450 \text{ kJ} - 400 \text{ kJ} = 50 \text{ kJ},$$

$$W_{by\ sys,A} = -900 \text{ kJ},$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{Q_{into\ sys,A} = -850 \text{ kJ}}.$$

For process B,

$$\Delta U_{sys} = U_2 - U_1 = 450 \text{ kJ} - 400 \text{ kJ} = 50 \text{ kJ},$$

$$W_{by\ sys,B} = -230 \text{ kJ},$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{Q_{into\ sys,B} = -180 \text{ kJ}}.$$

Note that the change in internal energy is independent of the process since it is a property, i.e., it only depends on states 1 and 2, not the path between them. Heat transfer and work are path dependent (and not properties), which is why the work and heat transfer for processes A and B are different.