



**Specific Heats
Incompressible Substance Model**

Specific heats, c_p or c_v , and specific heat ratio, k

$$c_v := \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial T} \right|_v$$

$$c_p := \left. \frac{\partial h}{\partial T} \right|_p$$

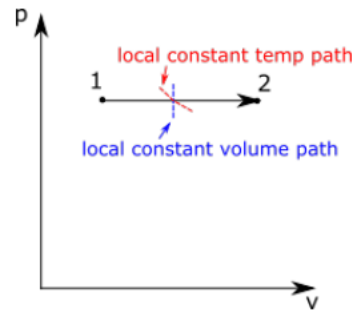
$$k := \frac{c_p}{c_v}$$

In general:

$$c_v(T, p) \text{ and } c_p(T, p)$$

$$c_p \geq c_v \Rightarrow k \geq 1$$

$$k_{\text{air}} = 1.4$$



Incompressible Substance Model

If a substance is modeled as being incompressible, then its specific volume remains constant, i.e., $v = \underline{\text{constant}}$, and the specific internal energy is a function solely of temperature, i.e., $u = u(T)$.

Properties of Selected Ideal Gases

Substance	Formula	MW	R [kJ/(kgK)]	c_p (300 K) [kJ/(kgK)]	c_v (300 K) [kJ/(kgK)]	T_{crit} [K]	P_{crit} [MPa]
Air	-	28.97	0.28700	1.005	0.7177	132.5	3.786
Ammonia	NH ₃	17.031	0.48817	2.095	1.607	405.4	11.333
Carbon dioxide	CO ₂	44.010	0.18892	0.8435	0.6546	304.1	7.377
Nitrogen	N ₂	28.013	0.29680	1.038	0.7409	126.2	3.396
Oxygen	O ₂	31.999	0.25983	0.9143	0.6544	154.6	5.043
Propane	C ₃ H ₈	44.094	0.18855	1.666	1.478	369.8	4.247
R134a	CH ₂ F ₄	102.03	0.08149	0.8367	0.7552	374.2	4.059
Water	H ₂ O	18.015	0.46152	1.868	1.407	647.1	22.064

Source: EES 2020

Selected Specific Heats at Constant Pressure, c_p

Substance	Temperature [K]	c_p [kJ/(kgK)]
Copper	300	0.3894
Lead	300	0.129
Water (saturated liquid)	275	4.214
	300	4.181
	325	4.182
	350	4.195
	375	4.218
	400	4.255
	Air (ideal gas)	275
300		1.005
325		1.006
350		1.008
375		1.010
400		1.013
500		1.029
600		1.051
700		1.075
800		1.099
900	1.121	
1000	1.141	

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