

Solutions Exam-4 Spring '16

1.) Multiple Choice

(18 pts.)

For each statement below, circle the correct answer (TRUE or FALSE, no reasoning required).

- (a) If the intensity of a sound wave increases tenfold, its intensity level increases by 10 dB.
☒ TRUE ☐ FALSE
- (b) When a police car with its siren on is approaching you, the siren frequency you are hearing is smaller.
☐ TRUE ☒ FALSE
- (c) When adding heat to a substance during a phase change, the temperature of the substance keeps increasing.
☐ TRUE ☒ FALSE
- (d) The internal energy of an ideal gas is nothing but the sum of the kinetic energies of all gas particles.
☒ TRUE ☐ FALSE
- (e) Irreversible processes do not change the total entropy of the Universe.
☒ TRUE ☐ FALSE
- (f) If the entropy of a substance decreases, there must be some other substance whose entropy increases by at least as much.
☒ TRUE ☐ FALSE

No.	Points
1	YZ
2	JW
3	CH
4	RR
5	TW
Sum	

2.) Mathematical Description of a Wave

(16 pts.)

A transverse wave is propagating in x -direction and described by the equation

$$y(x, t) = 3\text{m} \sin[(2/s)t - (0.8/m)x] . \quad (1)$$

Extract the amplitude, frequency, wavelength, and propagational speed of the wave.

$$y(x, t) = A \sin\left[2\pi\left(\frac{t}{T} - \frac{x}{\lambda}\right)\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A = 3\text{m}}$$

$$\frac{2\pi}{T} = 2\pi f = 2\pi \text{ Hz} \Rightarrow \boxed{f = \frac{2}{2\pi} \text{ Hz} = 0.32 \text{ Hz}}$$

$$\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \frac{0.8}{\text{m}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{0.8} \text{ m} = 7.85 \text{ m}}$$

$$\boxed{v = f\lambda = 2.5 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}$$

3.) Heat and Temperature

(18 pts.)

A bullet (mass 22 g) at a speed of 930 m/s is shot into a bucket of 10 kg of water at room temperature (20°C) and gets stopped in it.

- (a) How much energy does the bullet deposit into the water?
- (b) Estimate the maximal increase of the water temperature once it is equilibrated. (Neglect any temperature changes of the bullet.)

$$(a) \quad \boxed{\Delta E = |KE_f - KE_i| = \frac{1}{2} m v_i^2 = 9513.9 \text{ J}}$$

$$(b) \quad Q = m c \Delta T$$

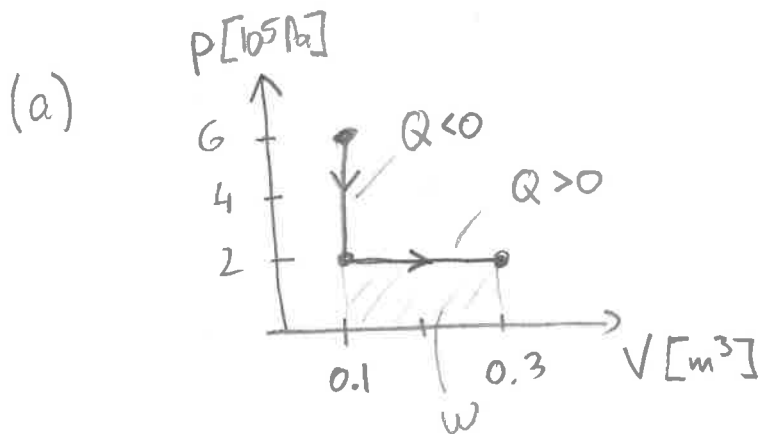
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Delta T = \frac{Q}{m c} = \frac{\Delta E}{m_w c_w} = 0.23 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}}$$

4.) Thermal Processes for an Ideal Gas

(24 pts.)

A fixed amount of ideal gas of initial volume 0.1 m^3 and initial pressure $6 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ is first cooled isochorically (at constant volume) down to a pressure of $2 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Pa}$, and then expanded isobarically (at constant pressure) to a final volume of 0.3 m^3 .

- Draw the p - V diagram of this 2-step process and state whether heat has been added or taken out of the gas in each step (no calculation necessary).
- What is the ratio of initial to final temperature?
- How much work does the gas do during the process?
- How much total heat is exchanged between the gas and the environment during the total process?



(b)

$$p_i V_i = n R T_i$$

$$p_f V_f = n R T_f$$

$$\boxed{\frac{T_f}{T_i} = \frac{p_f V_f}{p_i V_i} = \frac{2 \cdot 0.3}{6 \cdot 0.1} = 1}$$

(c)

$$\boxed{W = p \Delta V = 2 \cdot 10^5 \cdot 0.2 = 0.4 \cdot 10^5 \text{ J}}$$

(d)

$$\text{total } \Delta U = Q - W = 0 \quad (\text{since } \Delta T = 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{Q = W = +0.4 \cdot 10^5 \text{ J}} \text{ into the gas}$$

5.) Carnot Refrigerator

(24 pts.)

A refrigerator with perfect efficiency cools its compartment at constant temperature of -15°C and exhausts heat into the surrounding room at 20°C . Two kilogram of water at room temperature are put into the freezer.

- Calculate the coefficient of performance of the refrigerator.
- Calculate the heat to be extracted from the water to cool it to the temperature inside the freezer.
- How much work (electrical energy) must be done by the freezer?
- How much heat does the freezer exhaust into the environment?

$$(a) \quad K = \frac{Q_c}{W} = \frac{Q_c}{Q_H - Q_c} = \frac{1}{\frac{Q_H}{Q_c} - 1} = \frac{1}{\frac{T_H}{T_c} - 1} = 7.376$$

$$(b) \quad Q_c = c_w m_w \Delta T_w + m_w L_f + c_{ice} m_w \Delta T_{ice} \\ = 2(4190 \cdot 20 + 334000 + 2010 \cdot 15) = 895900 \text{ J}$$

$$(c) \quad W = \frac{Q_c}{K} = 121500 \text{ J}$$

$$(d) \quad Q_H = W + Q_c = 1.017 \cdot 10^6 \text{ J}$$