

# 3.020 Lecture 7

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# 1 Ideal gas processes

## 1.1 Reversible adiabatic expansion

Q. What to choose for independent variables ?

- $\delta Q = 0$ , reversible process  $\rightarrow dS = 0 \rightarrow$  use  $S$
  - expansion  $\rightarrow$  pressure/volume change  $\rightarrow$  use  $P$
- Find equation of state  $T(S, P)$
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- Use general strategy to find differential form

$$\begin{aligned}dT &= MdS + NdP \\&= M\left(\frac{C_P}{T}dT - V\alpha dP\right) + NdP \\&= M\frac{C_P}{T}dT + (N - MV\alpha)dP\end{aligned}$$

By inspection,  $M\frac{C_P}{T} = 1 \rightarrow M = \frac{T}{C_P}$   
 $N - MV\alpha = 0 \rightarrow N = \frac{TV\alpha}{C_P}$

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- Use properties of ideal gases

$$V = \frac{RT}{P}, \quad \alpha = \frac{1}{T}, \quad C_P = 5/2R \quad \leftarrow \text{for monoatomic gas}$$

$$dT_S = \frac{TV\alpha}{C_P}dP = \frac{TRT}{C_PTP}dP = \frac{R}{C_P} \frac{T}{P}dP = \frac{2}{5} \frac{T}{P}dP$$

- Separate variables and integrate

$$\frac{dT}{T} = \frac{R}{C_P} \frac{dP}{P} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{T_f}{T_i} = \left(\frac{P_f}{P_i}\right)^{R/C_P}$$

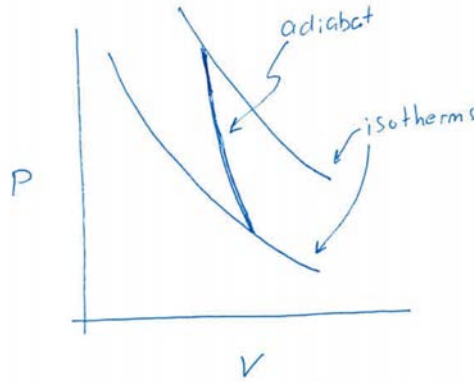
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- Alternative forms of adiabatic, reversible expansion.

$$PV^\gamma = \text{const.}, \quad \gamma = \frac{C_P}{C_V}$$

$$TV^{\gamma-1} = \text{const.}$$

$$\frac{P_f}{P_i} = \left(\frac{V_i}{V_f}\right)^\gamma$$



e.g. compression stroke of internal combustion engine

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- Alternative derivation of adiabatic, reversible expansion of ideal gas

$$\delta Q = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad dU = \delta W = -PdV$$

– from last time we know that  $dU_T = 0 \longrightarrow dU = C_V dT$  for I.G.

$$C_V dT = -PdV = -\frac{RT}{V} dV$$

– separate and integrate

$$\frac{T_f}{T_i} = \left(\frac{V_i}{V_f}\right)^{R/C_V} \quad \longrightarrow \quad TV^{R/C_V} = \text{const.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R/C_V &= \frac{C_P - C_V}{C_V} \\ &= \frac{C_P}{C_V} - 1 \\ &= \gamma - 1 \end{aligned}$$

## 1.2 Isothermal expansion

Q. What to use for independent variables ?

- Isothermal,  $dT = 0 \longrightarrow$  use  $T$
- Expansion  $\longrightarrow$  use  $P(V)$

Find equations of state  $G(T, P)$

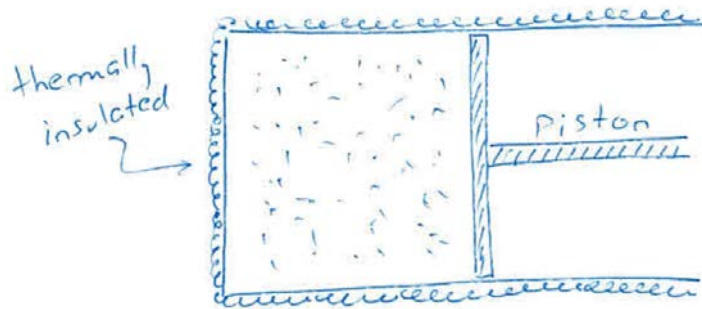
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- Use differential form

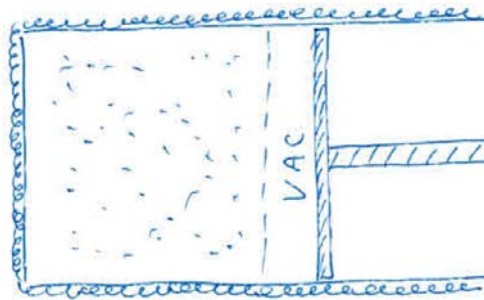
$$dG = -S \underbrace{dT}_0 + VdP = \frac{RT}{P}dP$$

$$G_f - G_i = \Delta G = RT \ln\left(\frac{P_f}{P_i}\right)$$

### 1.3 Adiabatic free expansion



withdraw piston instantaneously



gas will spontaneously (freely) expand into the free volume irreversibly

- Work and heat during free expansion

$$\text{Work} = - \int dVP = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{gas expanding into vacuum}$$

$$\text{Heat} = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{adiabatic process}$$

$$\Delta U = W + Q = 0$$

$$\text{Implies } dT = 0 \quad \text{for ideal gas}$$

- Adiabatic free expansion is spontaneous, so  $\Delta S > 0$

Q. How to calculate  $\Delta S$  ?

A. Find differential form  $dS = \dots$  and integrate

Q. What to use for independent variables ?

– Isothermal,  $dT = 0 \rightarrow$  **use**  $T$

– Expansion  $\rightarrow$  **use**  $V$  (**or**  $P$ )

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