

# CEN 202 THERMODYNAMICS

## CHAPTER 5: THE SECOND LAW OF THERMODYNAMICS

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## ENTROPY

Entropy is an intrinsic property for systems at internal equilibrium. Differential changes in this property are given by the equation:

$$dS^t = \frac{dQ_{rev}}{T} \quad (1)$$

$S^t$  : is the system (rather than the molar) entropy

## THE SECOND LAW OF THERMODYNAMICS

The entropy change of any **system** and its **surroundings**, considered together, and resulting from any real process, is **positive**, approaching zero when the process approaches reversibility. Mathematically,

$$\Delta S_{total} \geq 0 \quad (2)$$

The second law confirms that every process proceeds in such a direction that **the total entropy change** associated with it is **positive**, the limiting value of **zero** being attained only **by a reversible process**. No process is possible for which **the total entropy** decreases.

## The second law relates to:

- ❖ heat flows from hot to cold,
- ❖ limits to the conversion of heat to work by any device.

## Application of the Second Law to Simple Heat Transfer

The equation for the entropy change of a heat reservoir follows from Eq. (1).  
Because  $T$  is constant, integration gives:

$$\Delta S = \frac{Q}{T}$$

$Q$  (heat) is transferred to or from a reservoir at temperature  $T$

$Q_H$  and  $Q_C$  have opposite signs:

Therefore,  $Q_H = -Q_C$ , and the entropy changes of the reservoirs at  $T_H$  and at  $T_C$  are:

$$\Delta S_H^t = \frac{Q_H}{T_H} = \frac{-Q_C}{T_H} \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta S_C^t = \frac{Q_C}{T_C}$$

From these two entropy changes:

$$\Delta S_{total} = \Delta S_H^t + \Delta S_C^t = \frac{-Q_C}{T_H} + \frac{Q_C}{T_C} = Q_C \left( \frac{T_H - T_C}{T_H T_C} \right)$$

Because the heat-transfer process is irreversible, Eq. (2) requires a positive value for  $\Delta S_{total}$ , and therefore

$$Q_C (T_H - T_C) > 0$$

With the temperature difference positive,  $Q_C$  must also be positive, which means that heat flows into the reservoir at  $T_C$ , i.e., from the higher to the lower temperature.

As result:

**No process is possible which consists solely of the transfer of heat from one temperature level to a higher one.**

## Application of the Second Law to Heat Engines

Heat can be converted into work: heat engines

With respect to the engine, from the first law as given by Eq.  $\Delta U = Q + W$  becomes:

$$\Delta U = Q + W = Q_H + Q_C + W$$

Because the engine inevitably operates in cycles, its properties over a cycle do not change.

Therefore,  $\Delta U = 0$ , and  $W = -Q_H - Q_C$ .

The entropy change of the surroundings equals the sum of the entropy changes of the reservoirs. Because the entropy change of the engine over a cycle is zero, the total entropy change is that of the heat reservoirs. Therefore

$$\Delta S_{total} = -\frac{Q_H}{T_H} - \frac{Q_C}{T_C}$$

Combining this equation with the equation for  $W$  to eliminate  $Q_H$  yields:

$$W = T_H \Delta S_{total} + Q_C \left( \frac{T_H - T_C}{T_C} \right)$$

If the engine is totally ineffective,  $W = 0$ ;  $\rightarrow \Delta S_{total} = -Q_C \left( \frac{T_H - T_C}{T_H T_C} \right)$

## Application of the Second Law to Heat Engines

If the process is reversible in all respects, then  $\Delta S_{\text{total}} = 0$ , and the equation reduces to:

$$W = Q_C \left( \frac{T_H}{T_C} - 1 \right)$$

A heat engine operating as described in a completely reversible manner is very special and is called a **Carnot engine (an ideal engine)**, described by N. L. S. Carnot in 1824.

**“It is impossible to construct an engine that, operating in a cycle, produces no effect (in system and surroundings) other than the extraction of heat from a reservoir and the performance of an equivalent amount of work”.**

Combining this equation with  $W = -Q_H - Q_C$  to eliminate first  $W$  and then  $Q_C$  leads to **Carnot's equations:**

$$-\frac{Q_C}{T_C} = \frac{Q_H}{T_H}$$

$$\frac{W}{Q_H} = \frac{T_C}{T_H} - 1 \rightarrow W = Q_H \left( \frac{T_C}{T_H} - 1 \right)$$

the thermal efficiency of a Carnot engine:  $\eta_{\text{Carnot}} = 1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H}$

# HEAT PUMPS

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Because a Carnot engine is reversible, it may be operated in reverse; the Carnot cycle is then traversed in the opposite direction, and it becomes a reversible **HEAT PUMP** operating between the same temperature levels and with the same quantities  $Q_H$ ,  $Q_C$ , and  $W$  as for the engine but reversed in direction (see the figure).

## ENTROPY CHANGES FOR THE IDEAL-GAS STATE

For one mole or a unit mass of fluid undergoing a mechanically reversible process in a closed system, the first law:

$$dU = dQ_{rev} - PdV$$

For the ideal-gas state,  $dH^{ig} = C_p^{ig} dT$  and  $V^{ig} = RT/P$ . As results of substitutions and division by  $T$ ,

$$\frac{dQ_{rev}}{T} = C_P^{ig} \frac{dT}{T} - R \frac{dP}{P}$$

$$dS^{ig} = C_P^{ig} \frac{dT}{T} - R \frac{dP}{P} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dS^{ig}}{R} = \frac{C_P^{ig}}{R} \frac{dT}{T} - d \ln P$$

where  $S^{ig}$  is the molar entropy for the ideal-gas state. Integration from an initial state at conditions  $T_0$  and  $P_0$  to a final state at conditions  $T$  and  $P$  gives:

$$\frac{\Delta S^{ig}}{R} = \int_{T_0}^T \frac{C_P^{ig}}{R} \frac{dT}{T} - \ln \frac{P}{P_0}$$