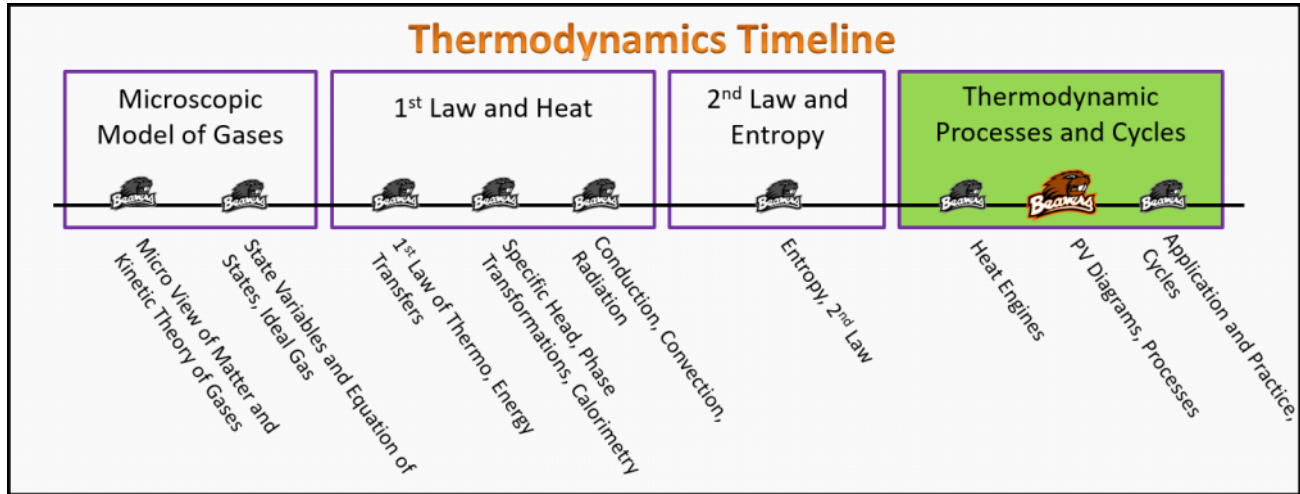


Thermodynamics Foundation Stage (PC.2.L2)

Lecture 2 PV Diagrams, Processes



Textbook Chapters (* Calculus version)

- **BoxSand** :: KC videos ([Processes and PV-Diagrams](#))
- **Knight** (College Physics : A strategic approach 3rd) :: 12.3
- ***Knight** (Physics for Scientists and Engineers 4th) :: 18.7 ; 19.2
- **Giancoli** (Physics Principles with Applications 7th) :: 15-2

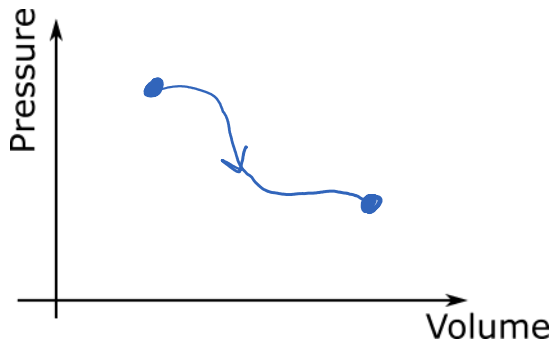
Warm up

PC.2.L2-1:

Description: Sketch any process that starts at one equilibrium state and ends at another.

Learning Objectives: [?] - Can you identify the objectives from the previous lecture, and this lecture, that this question is relevant to?

Problem Statement: On the PV diagram below, sketch any process that takes an ideal gas from one equilibrium state to a new equilibrium state. Basically, how are equilibrium states represented on a PV diagram and how are processes represented?



Selected Learning Objectives

1. Coming soon to a lecture template near you.

Key Terms

- Thermodynamic process
- Isochoric process
- Isothermal process
- Adiabatic process
- Isobaric process

Key Equations

Key Concepts

- Coming soon to a lecture template near you.

Questions

Act I: Isochoric

PC.2.L2-2:

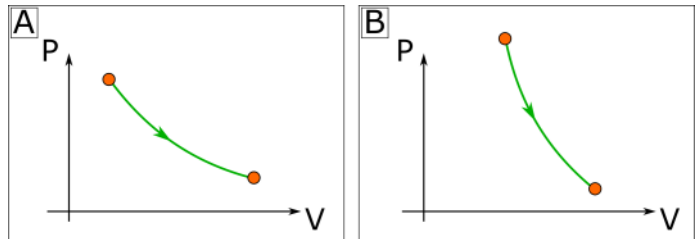
Description: Identify which PV diagram represents an isochoric process. (2 minutes + 2 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Consider the 4 PV diagrams below.

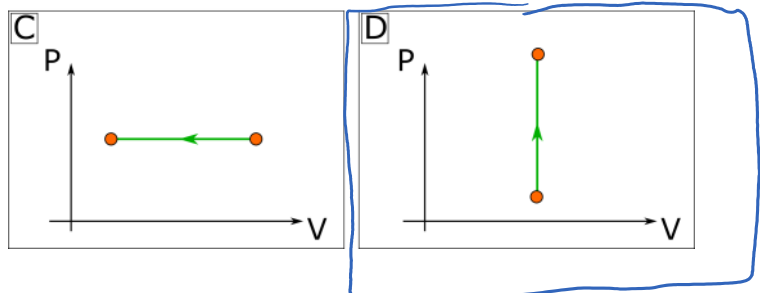
(a) Which diagram shows an isochoric process?

iso - const
choric - volume



(b) What are the other diagrams called?

A - isothermal
B - adiabatic
C - isobaric



PC.2.L2-3:

Description: Proportional reasoning with ideal gas law. (3 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Consider one mole of an ideal monatomic gas that undergoes an isochoric process from one equilibrium state to another. If the pressure is increased by a factor of 4, by what factor does the temperature change by?

- (1) 1/16
- (2) 1/4
- (3) 1
- (4) 4
- (5) 16

$$PV = nRT$$
$$\underbrace{\frac{V}{nR}}_{\text{Const}} = \frac{T}{\underbrace{P}_{\text{Const}}} \rightarrow \frac{4T}{4P}$$

PC.2.L2-4:

Description: Determine signs of first law quantities. (5 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Which of the following are the correct signs for an isochoric increase in temperature?

- (1) $\Delta E^{th} (+)$, $W (+)$, $Q (+)$
- (2) $\Delta E^{th} (+)$, $W (0)$, $Q (+)$
- (3) $\Delta E^{th} (+)$, $W (0)$, $Q (-)$
- (4) $\Delta E^{th} (-)$, $W (-)$, $Q (-)$
- (5) $\Delta E^{th} (-)$, $W (0)$, $Q (-)$

Process	ΔE^{th}	W	Q
Isochoric increase in temp	+	0	+
Isochoric decrease in temp	-	0	-
Isothermal expansion			
Isothermal compression			
Adiabatic expansion			
Adiabatic compression			
Isobaric expansion			
Isobaric compression			

a) isochoric \Rightarrow no work done

b) increase in T $\Rightarrow \Delta E_{th} > 0$

c) $\Delta E_{th} = W + Q$

\Rightarrow if $\Delta E_{th} > 0$, $Q > 0$

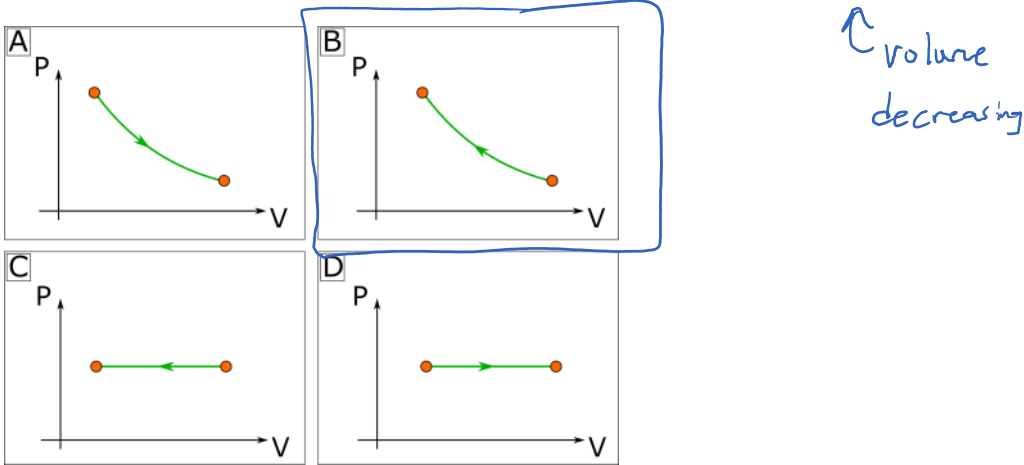
Act II: Isothermal

PC.2.L2-5:

Description: Identify which diagram represents an isothermal process. (2 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Which of the following P-V diagrams represents an isothermal compression?



PC.2.L2-6:

Description: Proportional reasoning with ideal gas law. (2 minutes + 4 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Consider one mole of an ideal monatomic gas that undergoes an isothermal process from one equilibrium state to another.

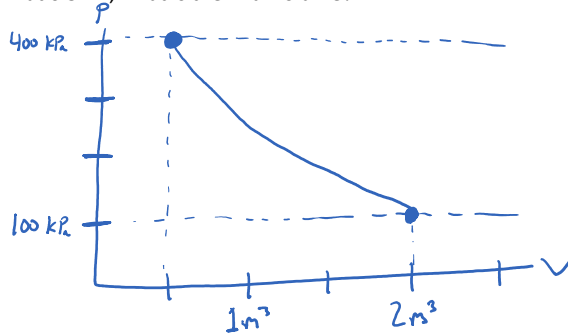
(a) How is the pressure related to the volume?

- (1) Linear
- (2) Quadratic
- (3) Inversely
- (4) Inverse squared
- (5) No relation

$$PV = \frac{nRT}{\text{const}}$$

$$P = (\text{const}) \frac{1}{V}$$

(b) The pressure starts at 400 kPa and goes to 100 kPa. If the volume started at 0.5 m³, what is the final volume?



$$PV = \frac{nRT}{\text{const}} \Rightarrow P \downarrow_4 \Rightarrow V \uparrow^4$$

$$V_f = 2 \text{ m}^3$$

PC.2.L2-7:

Description: Determine signs of first law quantities. (5 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Which of the following are the correct signs for an isothermal compression?

- (1) $\Delta E^{TH} (+)$, $W (+)$, $Q (+)$
- (2) $\Delta E^{TH} (+)$, $W (-)$, $Q (-)$
- (3) $\Delta E^{TH} (0)$, $W (+)$, $Q (-)$
- (4) $\Delta E^{TH} (0)$, $W (+)$, $Q (+)$
- (5) $\Delta E^{TH} (0)$, $W (-)$, $Q (+)$

Process	ΔE^{TH}	W	Q
Isochoric increase in temp	+	0	+
Isochoric decrease in temp	-	0	-
Isothermal expansion	0	-	+
Isothermal compression	0	+	-
Adiabatic expansion			
Adiabatic compression			
Isobaric expansion			
Isobaric compression			

a) $\Delta T = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta E_{th} = 0$

b) expansion \Rightarrow negative work done on the gas

c) $\Delta E_{th} = W + Q$
 $0 = - +$

Act III: Adiabatic

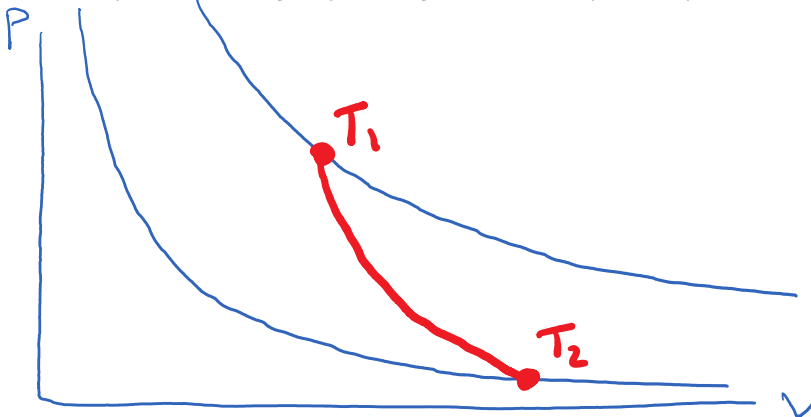
PC.2.L2-8:

Description: Identify which statements best represents an adiabatic curve on PV diagram (3 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Which student do you agree with the most?

- (1) I think adiabatic PV lines are curvy and less steep than isotherms.
- (2) I agree that they are curvy, but they are more steep than isotherms, right?
- (3) Nah, you're both wrong, they are straight lines with a slope that depends on whether the gas is expanding or contracting.



PC.2.L2-9:

Description: Identify proportionality for adiabatic process. (3 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Which of the following statements could be true for monatomic ideal gases that go through an adiabatic process?

- (1) Pressure is proportional to $1/V$
- (2) Pressure is proportional to $1/V^{0.5}$
- (3) Pressure is proportional to $1/V^{1.5}$ ← steeper than $1/V$
- (4) 42

PC.2.L2-10:

Description: Determine signs of first law quantities. (5 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Which of the following are the correct signs for an adiabatic expansion?

- (1) ΔE^{TH} (+), W (+), Q (+)
- (2) ΔE^{TH} (0), W (-), Q (+)
- (3) ΔE^{TH} (-), W (-), Q (0)
- (4) ΔE^{TH} (+), W (-), Q (0)
- (5) ΔE^{TH} (+), W (+), Q (0)

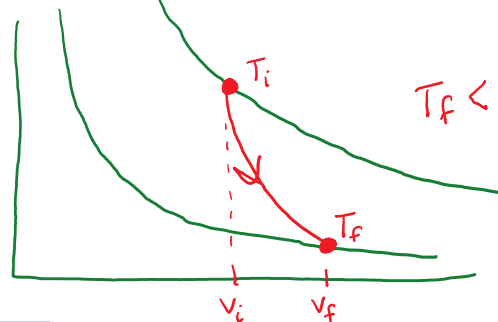
Process	ΔE^{TH}	W	Q
Isochoric increase in temp	+	0	+
Isochoric decrease in temp	-	0	-
Isothermal expansion	0	-	+
Isothermal compression	0	+	-
Adiabatic expansion	-	-	0
Adiabatic compression	+	+	0
Isobaric expansion			
Isobaric compression			

a) $Q = 0$ (adiabatic)

b) expansion \Rightarrow negative work

c) $\Delta E_{th} = W + Q$
 $\uparrow = \uparrow + \uparrow$
 $- = - + 0$

or



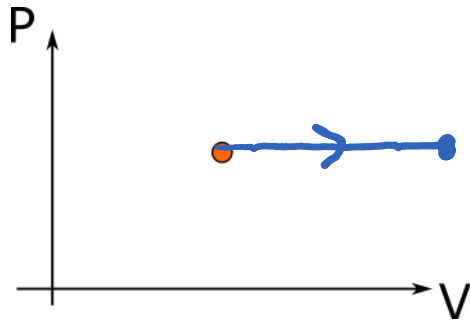
Act IV: Isobaric

PC.2.L2-11:

Description: Sketch an isobaric process. (2 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Use the provided PV diagram and initial equilibrium state to sketch an isobaric expansion.



PC.2.L2-12:

Description: Proportional reasoning with ideal gas law. (4 minutes)

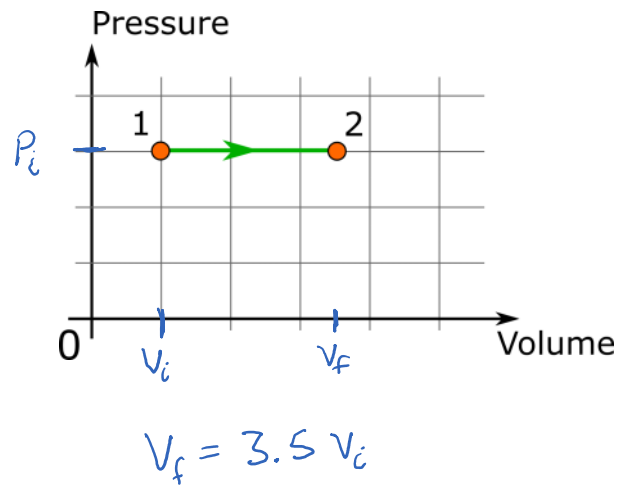
Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Below shows an isobaric process. By what factor does the temperature change by?

- (1) 1/2.5
- (2) 2/3
- (3) 1
- (4) 3/2
- (5) 2.5
- (6) 7/2

$$PV = nRT$$

$$\frac{P}{nR} = \frac{T}{V} \rightarrow \frac{3.5T}{3.5V}$$



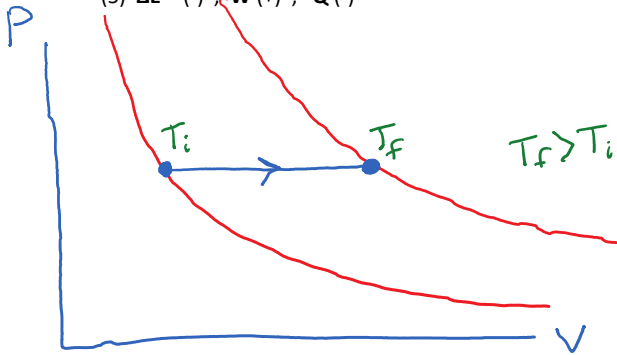
PC.2.L2-13:

Description: Determine signs of first law quantities. (5 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Which of the following are the correct signs for an isobaric expansion?

- (1) $\Delta E^{TH} (+)$, $W (+)$, $Q (+)$
- (2) $\Delta E^{TH} (-)$, $W (-)$, $Q (+)$
- (3) $\Delta E^{TH} (-)$, $W (-)$, $Q (-)$
- (4) $\Delta E^{TH} (+)$, $W (-)$, $Q (+)$
- (5) $\Delta E^{TH} (-)$, $W (+)$, $Q (-)$



Process	ΔE^{TH}	W	Q
Isochoric increase in temp	+	0	+
Isochoric decrease in temp	-	0	-
Isothermal expansion	0	-	+
Isothermal compression	0	+	-
Adiabatic expansion	-	-	0
Adiabatic compression	+	+	0
Isobaric expansion	+	-	++
Isobaric compression	-	+	--

- a) expansion \Rightarrow negative Work
- b) picture $\Rightarrow T_f > T_i \Rightarrow \Delta E_{th} > 0$
- c)
$$\begin{array}{c} \Delta E_{th} = W + Q \\ \uparrow \quad \quad \uparrow \\ + \quad = \quad - \quad ++ \end{array}$$

Act III: Other processes

PC.2.12-14:

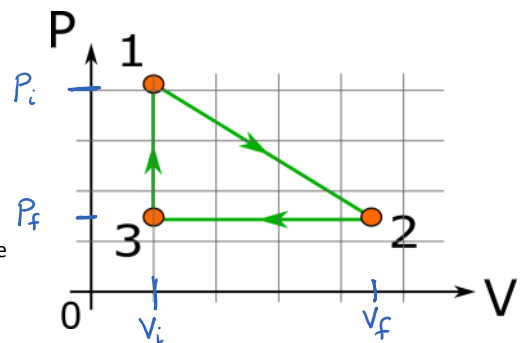
Description: Identify the process type. Proportional reasoning with ideal gas law. (2 minutes + 4 minutes + 2 minutes + 1 minute)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Consider the PV diagram shown below with 3 processes that form a complete cycle.

(a) What type of process is represented from equilibrium states 1 \rightarrow 2?

- (1) Isochoric
- (2) Isothermal
- (3) Adiabatic
- (4) Isobaric
- (5) None of the above



(b) Considering the stage from 1 \rightarrow 2, by what factor does the temperature change by?

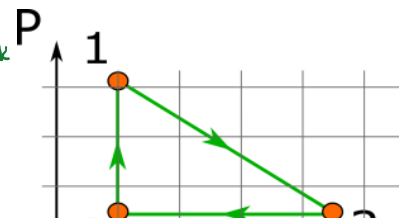
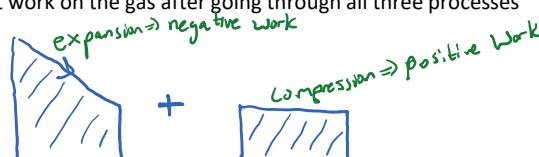
- (1) 3/8
- (2) 9/5
- (3) 27/16
- (4) 9/2

$$PV = nRT$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{T_f}{T_i} = \frac{P_f V_f}{P_i V_i} = \left(\frac{1.5}{4}\right) \left(\frac{4.5}{1}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{8}\right) \left(\frac{9}{2}\right) = \frac{27}{16}$$

(c) What is the sign of the net work on the gas after going through all three processes sequentially?

- (1) Positive
- (2) Negative
- (3) Zero



(d) What is the sign of ΔE^{TH} of the gas after going through all three processes

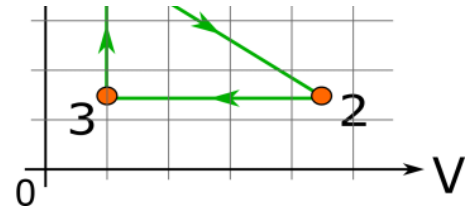
- (2) Negative
- (3) Zero



(d) What is the sign of ΔE^{th} of the gas after going through all three processes sequentially?

- (1) Positive
- (2) Negative
- (3) Zero

Same $P, V, T \Rightarrow \Delta E_{th} = 0$



PC.2.L2-15:

Description: Determine which processes has a larger value of heat flowing into system. (2 minutes + 2 minutes + 3 minutes)

Learning Objectives: [1, 12, 13]

Problem Statement: Consider the two different processes shown on the PV diagram below.

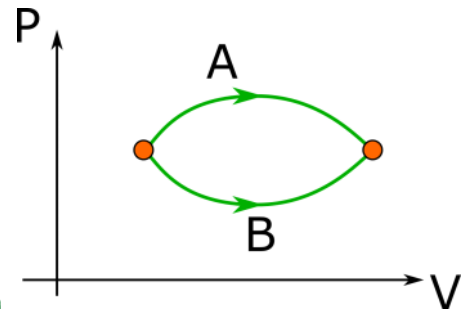
(a) How does the change in temperature compare between process A and process B?

- (1) $\Delta T_A > \Delta T_B$
- (2) $\Delta T_A < \Delta T_B$
- (3) $\Delta T_A = \Delta T_B$

(b) Which process does more work on the environment?

- (1) A
- (2) B

(3) A and B do equal work on the environment.



(c) Which processes has a larger value of heat?

- (1) $Q_A > Q_B$
- (2) $Q_A < Q_B$
- (3) $Q_A = Q_B$

$$\Delta E_{th} = W + Q$$

$$\Delta E_A = (-large) + (+large) \leftarrow Q_A$$

$$\Delta E_B = (-small) + (+small) \leftarrow Q_B$$

Conceptual questions for discussion

1. **Coming soon.**
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Hints

PC.2.L2-1: No hints.

PC.2.L2-2: No hints.

PC.2.L2-3: No hints.

PC.2.L2-4: No hints.

PC.2.L2-5: No hints.

PC.2.L2-6: No hints.

PC.2.L2-7: No hints.

PC.2.L2-8: No hints.

PC.2.L2-9: No hints.

PC.2.L2-10: No hints.

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PC.2.L2-14: No hints.