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DEGREE

IN

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SCIENCE)

COURSE CODE: PHY 111

COURSE TITLE: HEAT & THERMODYNAMICS

DATE: 6/3/2014

TIME: 9.00AM-12.00NOON

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Answer question ONE and any TWO questions.
- Show workings in the answer booklet for award of full marks
- Do not write on the question paper.
- Switch off your mobile phones.
- Each question should begin on a fresh page
- Marks are shown at the end of each question
- Duration is 3 hours

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Physical constants

Linear thermal expansion coefficient of copper (α)	$17 \times 10^{-60} \text{C}^{-1}$
universal gas constant (R)	8.314 J/Mol.K
Boltzmann constant (k)	$1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J.K}^{-1}$
Stefen- Boltzmann constant (δ)	$5.7 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W.m}^{-2} .\text{K}^{-4}$
Volume coefficient of glass (β)	$27 \times 10^{-60} \text{C}^{-1}$
Specific heat of aluminium (c)	900 J/Kg.K
Specific heat of water (c)	4200 J/Kg.K
Specific latent heat of fusion of ice (L)	$3.34 \times 10^5 \text{ J/kg}$
Volume expansion coefficient of water	$525 \times 10^{-60} \text{C}^{-1}$

QUESTION ONE:

- (a) At atmospheric pressure, the boiling point of helium is 4.2 K. What is the boiling point of helium on the Fahrenheit scale? (2 marks)
- (b) Show that the volume coefficient of thermal expansion β is approximately three times the value of the linear coefficient of thermal expansion α : $\beta=3\alpha$. (3 marks)
- (c) State Zeroth law of thermodynamics (1 mark)
- (d) A cook pours 400 g of hot water at 98°C into a 235 g aluminium pot initially at 15°C . If they come to thermal equilibrium quickly, what is the final temperature? Assume no heat is lost to the surroundings. (4 marks)
- (e) Explain the difference between heat and temperature, based on kinetic theory. (2 marks)
- (f) A small oven has a surface area of 0.2 m^2 . The insulated walls are 1.5 m thick with an average thermal conductivity of $0.04 \text{ W/ m}^\circ\text{C}$. What is the rate of heat loss if the temperature inside the oven is maintained at 245°C and the outside temperature is 20°C ? (3 marks)
- (g) Show that in an isovolumetric process the change in temperature is proportional to the change in internal energy. (3 marks)
- (h) A 1 liter glass bottle is filled to the brim with water at room temperature of 20°C . The temperature of the bottle and water is then raised to 95°C . Does the water spill over, or does the level go down, and by how much? (4 marks)

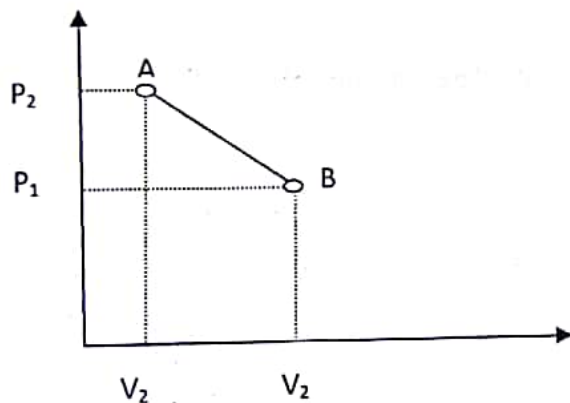
- (i) What is the rms speed of a nitrogen molecule at a temperature of 400 K? Assume that nitrogen behaves as an ideal gas. The mass of nitrogen molecule $m = 4.65 \times 10^{-26}$ Kg. (4 marks)
- (j) A student mixes 0.1 kg of water at 60°C with 0.2 kg of water at 40°C . Determine the change in entropy. (4 marks)

QUESTION TWO:

(a) State the first law of thermodynamics (1 mark)

(b) In a laboratory experiment, a heat engine takes in 200 J of heat and does 50 J of work by expanding in a reversible process. What is the change in internal energy of the engine during this process? (3 marks)

(c) A gas in a heat engine expands from its initial volume V_1 to a final volume $V_2 = 2V_1$ along the path AB shown in the figure below.



- i. Show that the work done during this process is given by $W = \frac{1}{2}(P_1 + P_2)(V_2 - V_1)$. (4 marks)
- ii. Compute the work done if the initial pressure is 230 kPa, the initial volume is $2.001 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3$ and the final pressure is 150 kPa. (4 marks)

(d) A Carnot engine always takes in heat at the same input temperature T_H . When the exhaust temperature is 120°C , the efficiency is 30 %.

- (i) What is the input temperature? (4 marks)
- (ii) If the exhaust temperature is changed so that the efficiency rises to 37 %, what is the new exhaust temperature? (4 marks)

QUESTION THREE:

(a) (i) Distinguish between a refrigerator and a heat pump. (2 marks)

(ii) Give one example of a refrigerator and one example of a heat pump. (2 marks)

(b) A household heat pump is used to maintain an inside temperature of 15°C on a day

When the outside temperature is 0°C .

(i) What is the theoretical maximum coefficient of performance for this heat pump? (4 marks)

(ii) If the heat pump delivers heat to the house at a rate of 20 kW, how much power must be supplied to run the heat pump? (4 marks)

(c) A household refrigerator has a coefficient of performance of 5. If the room

Temperature outside the refrigerator is 25°C , what is the lowest temperature that can be obtained inside the refrigerator? (4 marks)

(d) Show that the efficiency e of a Carnot engine and the coefficient of performance

$c.p_{refrig}$ of a Carnot refrigerator operating between the same temperatures are related by

$$e = \frac{1}{1 + c.p_{refrig}} \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$

QUESTION FOUR:

(a) Give (i) Clausius statement of the second law of thermodynamics. (1 mark)

(ii) Kelvin- Planck statement of the second law of thermodynamics. (1 mark)

(b) A child takes a 0.45 kg block of ice at 0°C , places it on a large marble slab, and watches the ice melt.

- (i) What is the entropy change of the ice (water) (4 marks)
- (ii) If the source of heat (the marble slab) is very massive and remains at a constant 20°C , what is the entropy change of the marble? (4 marks)
- (iii) What is the total entropy change? (4 marks)

(c) State the third law of thermodynamics. (1 mark)

(d) Explain the meaning of an irreversible process and give one everyday example of such a Process (2 marks)

(e) A fluid is heated so that its original volume V_0 is doubled. The pressure is observed to vary linearly with the volume according to $P=P_0(1+bV)$, where b and P_0 are constants. Find an expression for the work done by the expanding fluid. (3marks)

QUESTION FIVE:

(a) State any four assumptions of the kinetic theory of gases (4 marks)

(b) Starting with $v_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{3P}{\rho}}$, where P is pressure and ρ is the density of an ideal gas, show that the rms speed can be put in the form $v_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{3kT}{m}}$, where k is Boltzmann's constant, T the temperature, and m the molecular mass. (4 marks)

(c) What is the average kinetic energy of oxygen molecules at a temperature of 300 K. Assume oxygen to be an ideal gas. (4 marks)

(d) A parade balloon contains 400 m^3 of helium gas at a pressure of 110 kPa. What is the internal energy of helium in the balloon? (4 marks)

(e) A flat plate with area A_0 at temperature T_0 is characterized by a linear expansion coefficient α .

Show that to a good approximation the area A of the plate at temperature T is given by

$$A = A_0 [1 + 2\alpha(T - T_0)] \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$