



24. One mole of an ideal monatomic gas is taken through the cycle $abca$ shown on the diagram above. State a has volume $V_0 = 0.01$ cubic meter and pressure 4.0×10^5 Pa, and state b has volume $V_b = 0.04$ cubic meter. The molar heat capacities for the gas are $C_p = 20.8$ J/mole K, and $C_v = 12.5$ J/mole K. Determine each of the following:

- The temperatures T_a, T_b, T_c for each of these states of the gas.
- Find the internal energy of the gas E (or “ U ” according to our text) for states $a, b,$ and c .
- Find ΔE , the change in internal energy, for the entire cycle $a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow a$.
- The heat Q_{ca}
- The work W_{bc} done by the gas on its surroundings during process bc

For calculus scholars:

- The work done during the process $a \rightarrow b$. Is this work done *on* the gas or *by* the gas?

For non-calculus scholars: The net heat added in the entire cycle is 2500 J.

- Find the net work done during the entire cycle.

For all SPA Physics II scholars:

- Is process $a \rightarrow b$ adiabatic or isothermic? Justify your claim.
- If process $a \rightarrow b$ results in about 5500 J of work done by the gas, what is Q_{ab} ?
- The efficiency of a Carnot engine that operates between the maximum and minimum temperatures in this cycle