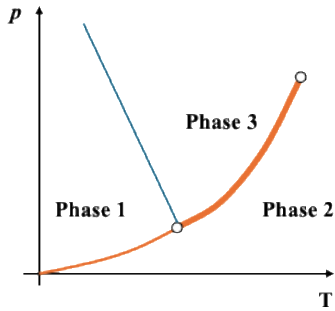


1. Suppose we have a pure substance in a liquid-vapor two-phase mixture regime with both its **temperature** and **pressure** determined. Which of the following statement is correct?
  - A. We can determine its **specific volume**, but not its **specific entropy**
  - B. We can determine its **specific entropy**, but not its **specific volume**
  - C. We can determine **both** its **specific volume** and its **specific entropy**.
  - D. **We can determine neither its specific volume nor its specific entropy.**
  
2. Which of the following statements related to the second law of thermodynamics is **NOT** correct?
  - A. **The entropy of a closed system can only go up or stay the same.**
  - B. A system's entropy production term can only be non-negative.
  - C. With a single temperature reservoir, one **cannot** create a thermodynamic cycle that outputs work.
  - D. One cannot construct a system with the sole result being net heat transfer from a cooler object to a hotter object
  
3. Suppose we have a closed system containing a fixed amount of ideal gas, which is NOT a perfect gas. When the system goes through an isothermal compression, increasing its pressure from  $P_1$  to  $P_2$ , please provide an expression for the entropy change per unit mass  $\Delta s$  in the system, given the universal gas constant  $\tilde{R}$  and the molar mass of the gas  $M$ .
  - A.  $\Delta s = 0$
  - B.  $\Delta s = \tilde{R}M \ln \frac{P_2}{P_1}$
  - C.  **$\Delta s = \tilde{R}/M \ln \frac{P_1}{P_2}$**
  - D.  $\Delta s$  cannot be calculated without more information on the gas's specific heat
  
4. Which of the following statements describes a supercritical fluid?
  - A. A substance at a temperature and pressure **both** below its critical point, exhibiting distinct liquid and gas phases.
  - B. A substance at a temperature above its critical point temperature **or** at a pressure above its critical pressure, where liquid and gas phases are indistinguishable.
  - C. **A substance at a temperature and pressure both above its critical point, where liquid and gas phases are indistinguishable.**
  - D. A substance at its triple point, where solid, liquid, and gas phases coexist in equilibrium.
  
5. Given the p-T diagram for a certain substance shown here, which of the following statements is true when this substance experience phase transition from Phase 1 to Phase 3?



- A. The specific volume decreases
- B. The specific volume increases
- C. The specific volume stays the same
- D. The specific volume first increases and then decreases
6. When performing a control-volume analysis for an open system at a steady state, which of the following terms is NOT zero:
- A. Rate of change of the total volume of the system as a function of time
- B. Rate of change of the total entropy of the system as a function of time
- C. The mass passing through the inlets per unit time
- D. Rate of change of total entropy of the system as a function of time
7. Which one of the following groups only includes intensive properties:
- A. A system's mass and volume
- B. A system's temperature and pressure
- C. A system's enthalpy and entropy
- D. A system's internal energy and specific enthalpy
8. Consider a system that goes through a quasi-equilibrium process, in which the system's entropy stays constant. Which of the following statements about the system is correct?
- A. The entropy production in the system has to be zero during this process
- B. The internal energy change of the system has to be zero if this is an isobaric process
- C. The enthalpy change of the system has to be zero during this process if this is an isobaric process
- D. None of the above is true

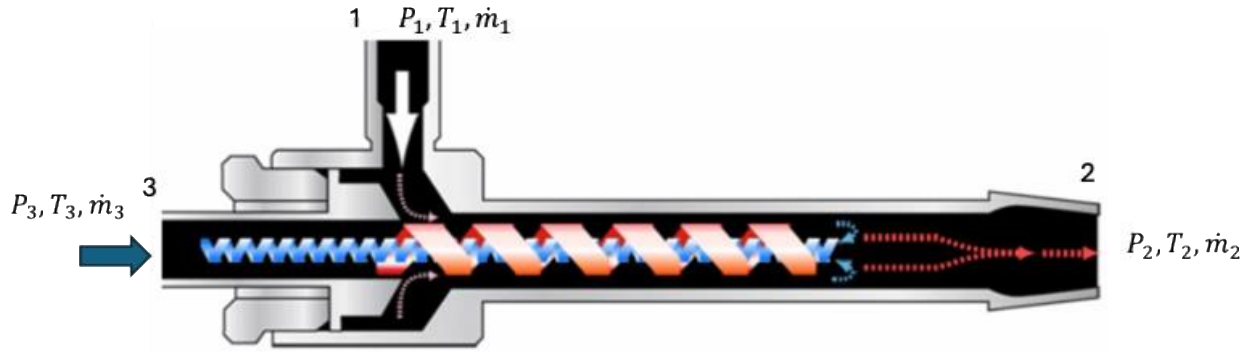
9. Consider a liquid pump with an inlet pressure of 100 kPa and outlet pressure of 300 kPa. The mass flow rate across this pump is constant at 1 g/s and we assume the liquid to be incompressible with a constant specific volume at 1 cm<sup>3</sup>/g. Please calculate the power that you need to put into the system to operate this pump.
- A. 100 mW
  - B. 200 mW**
  - C. 300 mW
  - D. 0, because the liquid specific volume is assumed to be constant

### Modeling Vortex Tube

A vortex tube requires no external work or heat input, yet able to produce hot and cold streams of air from a single stream of air at an intermediate temperature. Here, air is our working substance, modeled as a perfect gas with a constant-volume specific heat  $c_{v,air} = 2.5 R$ , where  $R$  is the specific gas constant of air. Also, we know the universal gas constant  $\tilde{R} = 8.314 \text{ kJ}/(\text{kmol}\cdot\text{K})$  and the molar mass of air  $M_{air} = 29 \text{ kg}/\text{kmol}$ . The vortex tube receives air at an inlet pressure of  $P_1 = 500 \text{ kPa}$  and temperature  $T_1 = 20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . It separates the incoming air into two streams: a hot stream at an outlet pressure  $P_2 = 100 \text{ kPa}$  and temperature  $T_2 = 50 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , and a cold stream at an outlet pressure  $P_3 = 100 \text{ kPa}$  and temperature  $T_3 = -10 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . The mass flow rate of the inlet air is  $\dot{m}_1 = 1 \text{ kg}/\text{s}$ .

Assume the vortex tube operates at a steady state adiabatically and that changes in kinetic and potential energy are negligible.

- a. Determine mass flow rates of the hot and the cold streams ( $\dot{m}_2$  and  $\dot{m}_3$ ) **(6 pts)**
- b. Determine entropy production rate within the vortex tube, assuming an environment with temperature  $T_0 = 20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  and pressure  $P_0 = 100 \text{ kPa}$  **(4 pts)**
- c. Replace the working substance with liquid water instead of air. Model liquid water as an incompressible fluid with constant-volume specific heat  $c_v = 4.18 \text{ kJ}/(\text{kg}\cdot\text{K})$ . If the conditions at the inlet and the outlets ( $P_1, T_1, P_2, T_2, P_3, T_3$ , and  $\dot{m}_1$ ) are kept the same, determine whether the process within the vortex tube violates the 2<sup>nd</sup> law of thermodynamics with quantitative analysis. (You won't get any point by simply answering yes or no without quantitative explanation.) **(3 pts)**



Solution (with grading rubrics):

(a) Mass conservation:

$$\dot{m}_1 = \dot{m}_2 + \dot{m}_3 \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

Energy balance:

$$\dot{m}_1 h_1 = \dot{m}_2 h_2 + \dot{m}_3 h_3 \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

If one fails to recognize some negligible terms in the energy balance equation, he/she will not get the pts.

$$\Rightarrow \dot{m}_2 (h_2 - h_1) = \dot{m}_3 (h_1 - h_3)$$

Perfect gas:

$$\Rightarrow \dot{m}_2 c_p (T_2 - T_1) = \dot{m}_3 c_p (T_1 - T_3)$$

Plug in the numbers:

$$\dot{m}_2 = \dot{m}_3 = \frac{1}{2} \dot{m}_1 = 0.5 \text{ kg/s} \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

(b) 2<sup>nd</sup> law:

$$0 = \dot{m}_1 s_1 - \dot{m}_2 s_2 - \dot{m}_3 s_3 + \dot{\sigma} \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

$$\dot{\sigma} = \dot{m}_2 (s_2 - s_1) + \dot{m}_3 (s_3 - s_1)$$

$$= \dot{m}_2 \left( c_p \ln \frac{T_2}{T_1} - R \ln \frac{P_2}{P_1} \right) + \dot{m}_3 \left( c_p \ln \frac{T_3}{T_1} - R \ln \frac{P_3}{P_1} \right) \quad (1 \text{ pt})$$

Correctly applying entropy difference for perfect gases give you one point.

Noting temperature needs to be Kelvin and  $c_p = c_v + \tilde{R}/M$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\sigma} = 436.13 \text{ J}/(\text{K} \cdot \text{s}) \quad (1 \text{ pt})$$

(c) Mass conservation:

$$\dot{m}_1 = \dot{m}_2 + \dot{m}_3$$

Energy balance:

$$\dot{m}_1 h_1 = \dot{m}_2 h_2 + \dot{m}_3 h_3$$

Incompressible fluid implies  $c_v = c_p$

Since  $v\Delta P \ll c_p \Delta T$  in this problem, we can ignore the enthalpy dependence on pressure

$$\Rightarrow \dot{m}_2 c_v (T_2 - T_1) = \dot{m}_3 c_v (T_1 - T_3)$$

Plug in the numbers

$$\dot{m}_2 = \dot{m}_3 = \frac{1}{2} \dot{m}_1 = 0.5 \text{ kg/s} \quad (1 \text{ pt})$$

2<sup>nd</sup> law:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\sigma} &= \dot{m}_2 (s_2 - s_1) + \dot{m}_3 (s_3 - s_1) \\ &= \dot{m}_2 c_v \ln \frac{T_2}{T_1} + \dot{m}_3 c_v \ln \frac{T_3}{T_1} \quad (1 \text{ pt}) \end{aligned}$$

Plug in the numbers to recognize  $\dot{\sigma} < 0$  and thus 2<sup>nd</sup> law is violated (1 pt). No point is given for directly stating  $\dot{\sigma} < 0$  and the violation of 2<sup>nd</sup> law.