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ME-251: Thermodynamics and energetics I
First Law for Open Systems

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Last Time

- Estimate thermodynamic properties in special cases
  - Incompressible substance
  - Ideal gas

○ Reading: Moran 3.10-3.15

Incompressible Substance

- Liquids and solids are often modeled as incompressible

Ideal Gas

- $\frac{pv}{RT} = \frac{p\tilde{v}}{\tilde{R}T} = Z \equiv 1$, the dilute limit of real gases

  T: temperature [K]
  $\tilde{R}$: universal gas constant [J/K/mol]
  R: specific gas constant [J/K/kg]
  $\tilde{v}$: molar volume [m^3/mol]

Perfect Gas

$$c_v = \text{const}, \qquad c_p = c_v + R$$

Common approximations:

Monoatomic $c_v = 1.5R$

Diatomic $c_v = 2.5\, R$

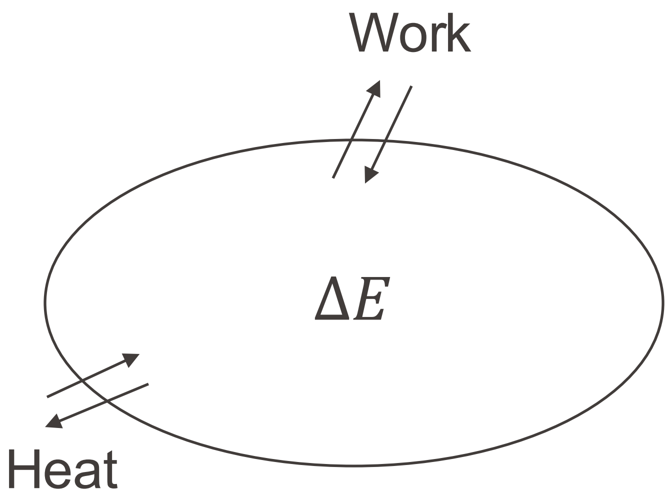
Polyatomic: $c_v = 3R$

ILOs Today

- Understand the difference between the analyses of closed and open systems
- Apply mass balance to open systems
- Apply energy balance to open systems

- Reading: Moran 4.1 - 4.5

First Law of Thermodynamics (Intuition)



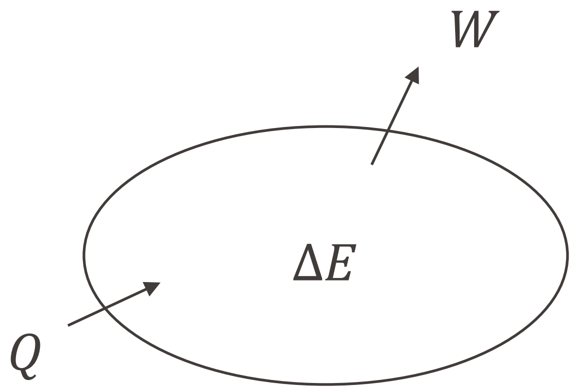
Can be intuitively understood as energy conservation

Energy change = Energy going in – Energy going out

Energy flows can take the form of heat, work, …

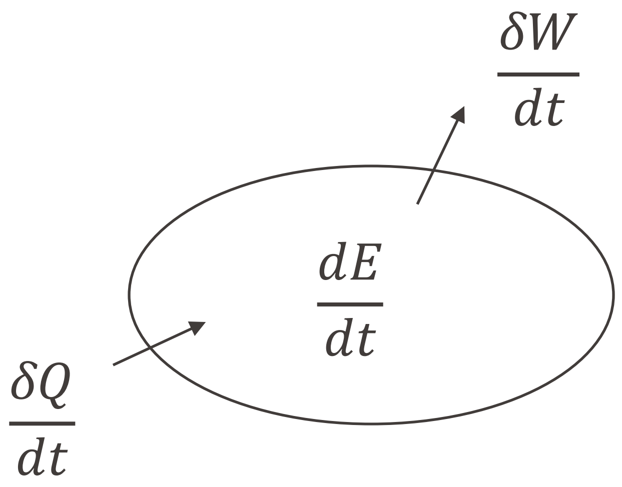
First Law of Thermodynamics for Closed Systems

Change in the amount of energy contained within a system during some time interval	=	Net amount of energy transferred **into** the system by heat transfer during the time interval	−	Net amount of energy transferred **out of** the system by work during the time interval



Time Rate Form of First Law for Closed Systems

Time rate of change in the amount of energy contained within a system at time *t*	=	Net rate at which energy is transferred **into** the system by heat transfer at time *t*	−	Net rate at which energy is transferred **out of** the system by work at time *t*



Components in First Law

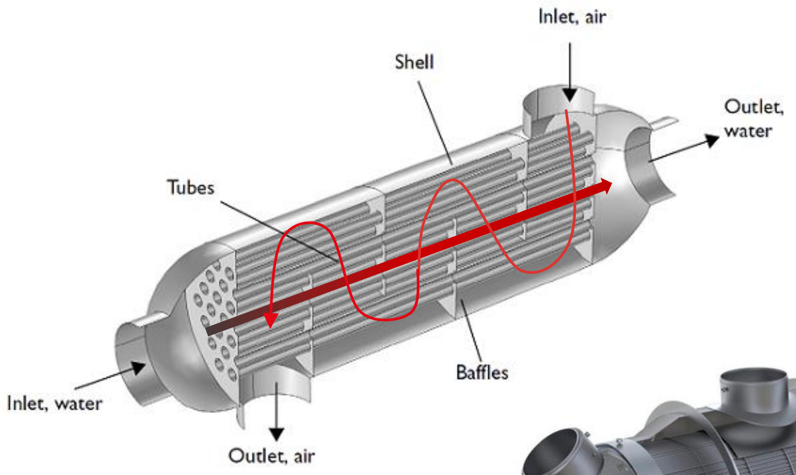
- Type of work transfer
  - Expansion/compression (e.g., polytropic processes)
  - Electrical, spring, shaft,…

- Type of energy
  - Potential energy
  - Kinetic energy
  - Internal energy (thermal motion, latent, chemical, nuclear,…)

- Type of heat transfer (requires temperature gradient)
  - Conduction, convection, radiation

Real World Open Systems

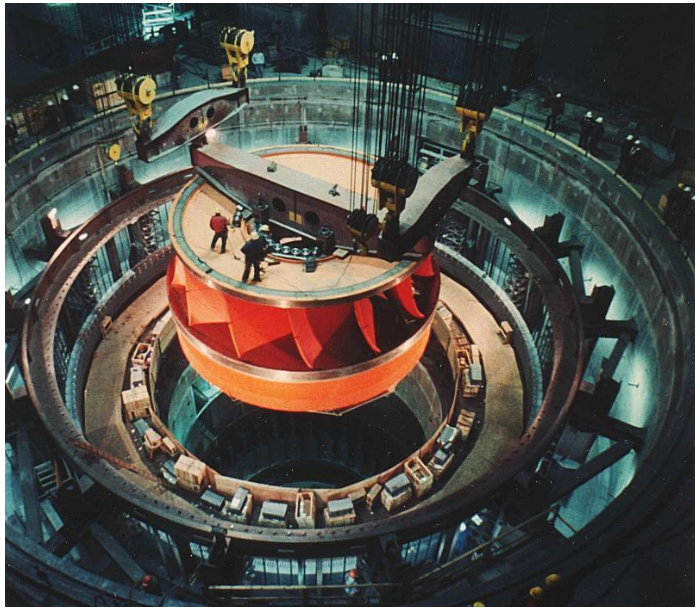
- Open systems: systems with mass transport across the boundary
  - Heat exchangers



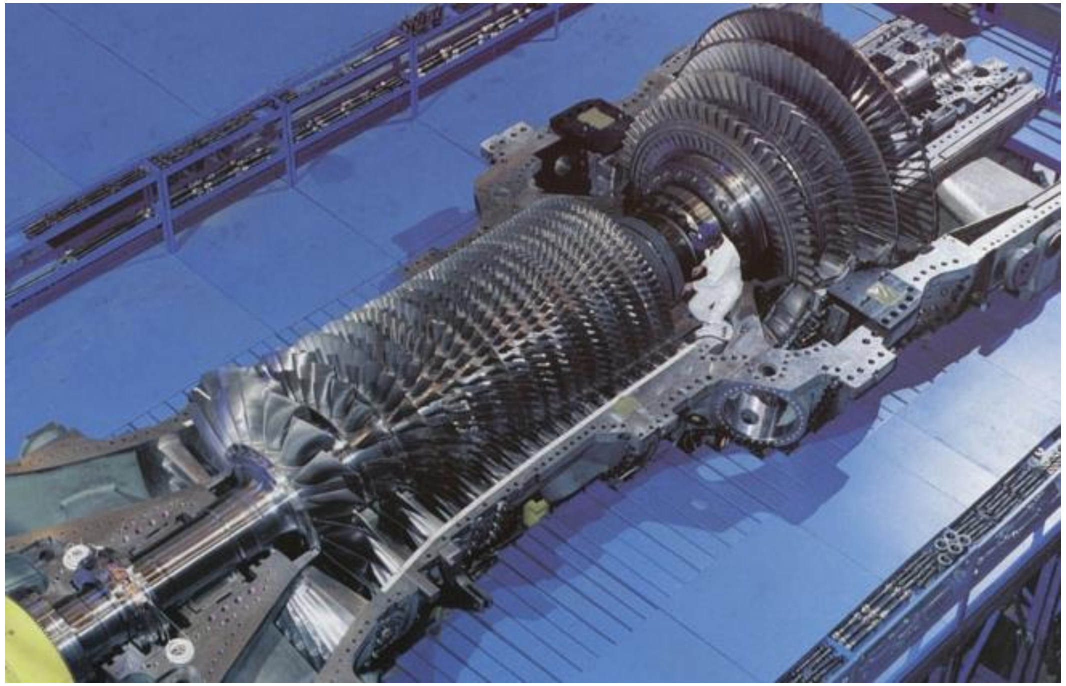
Alstom, Feedwater heater for nuclear power plant, 500 MW

Real World Open Systems

- E.g., turbines



Francis turbine, Grand Coulee Dam,
biggest hydro plant in the US,
capacity 6800 MW, 33 turbines (different sizes)



GE 9H gas turbine, 480 MW

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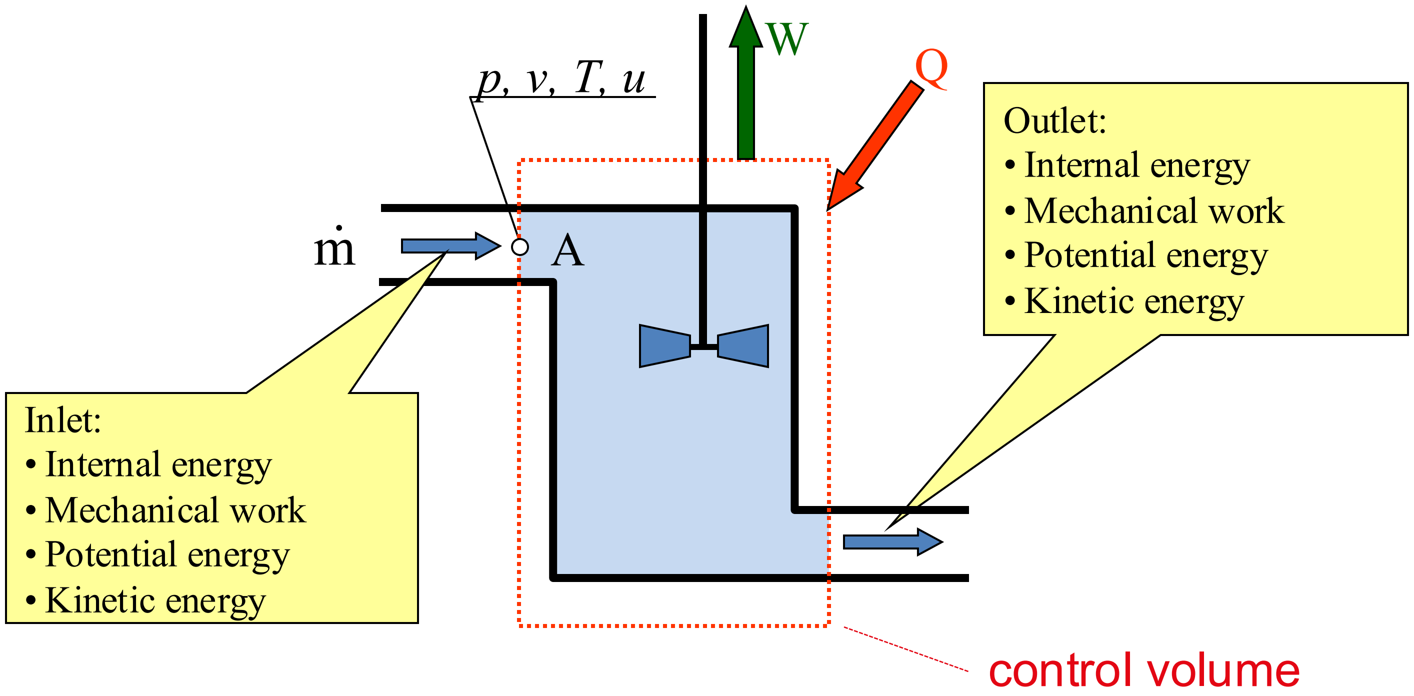
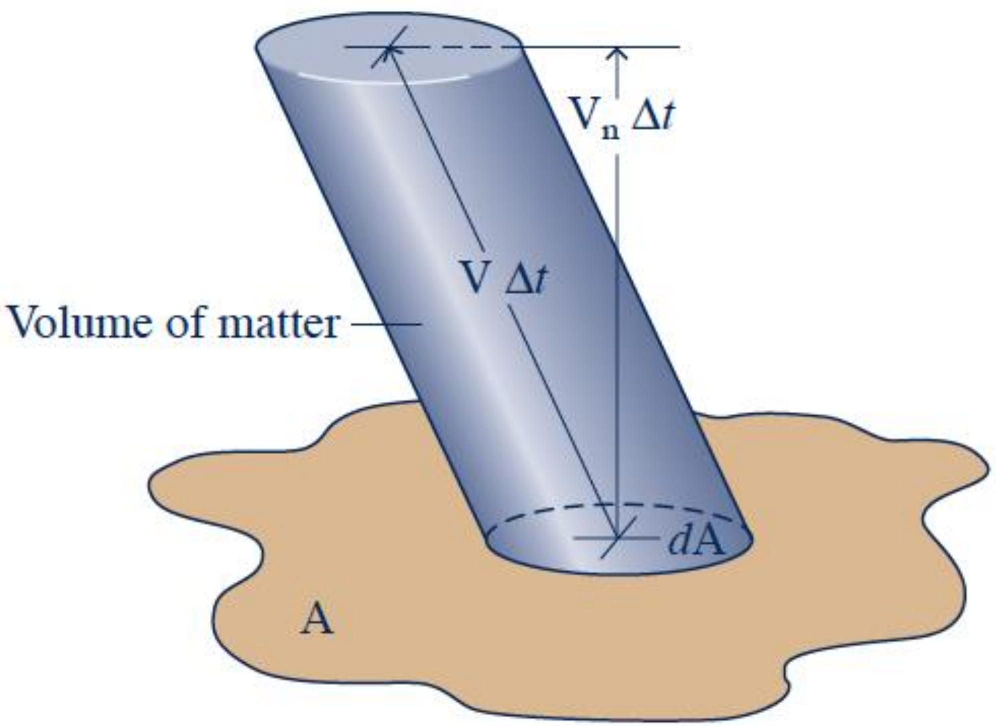


Unlike closed systems, energy transfer can be due to incoming and outgoing mass flow

Mass Conservation

Time rate of change in the amount of mass contained within a control volume at time *t*	=	Rate at which mass is transferred **into** the system at time *t*	–	Rate at which mass is transferred **out of** the system at time *t*

How to Evaluate Mass Flow Rates

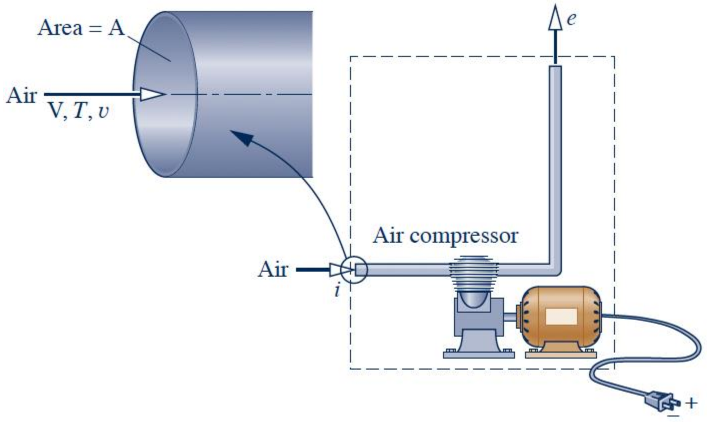


- Consider a small quantity of matter flowing with velocity V across an incremental area dA in a small time interval Δt

In Moran, non-italic V represents velocity

Special Cases

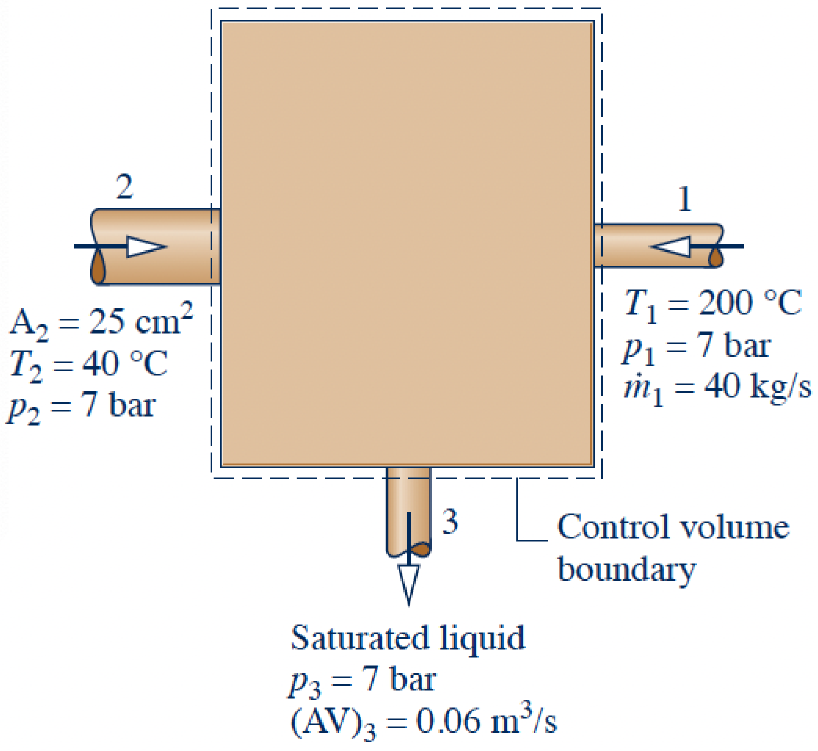
- 1D form of the mass rate balance
  - The flow is normal to the boundary at locations where mass enters or exits the control volume ($V = V_n$)
  - Velocity and density are uniform over the specified inlet or exit area



Special Cases

- Steady state: all properties in the control volume are invariant over time

Example 4.1 in Moran



A feedwater heater operating at steady state

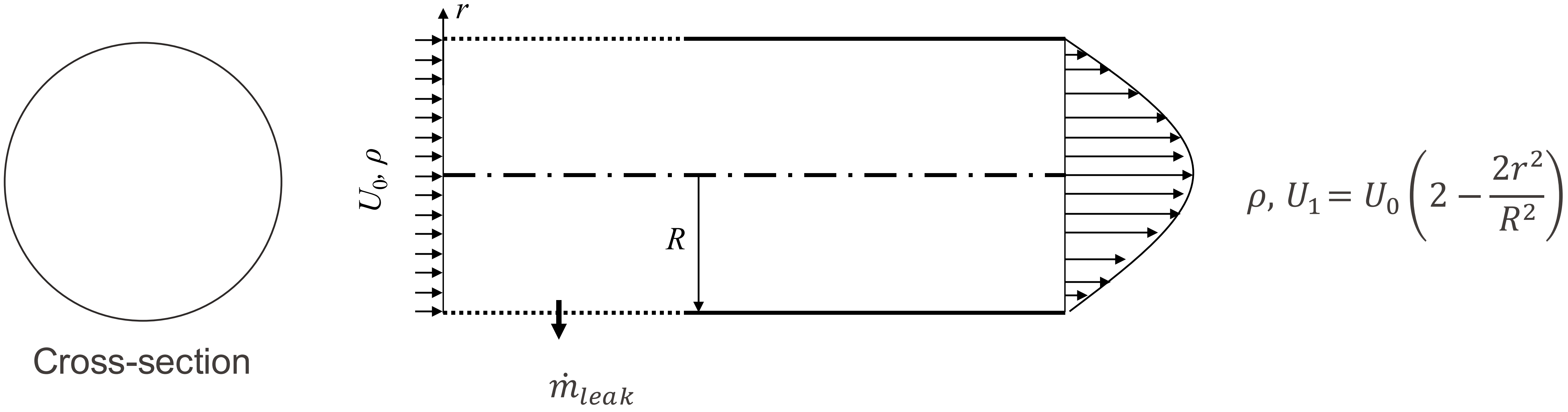
Determine the mass flow rates at inlet 2 and at the exit, and the velocity V_2

$v_3 = 1.108 \times 10^{-3}\ m^3/kg$

Approximate liquid water as incompressible substance

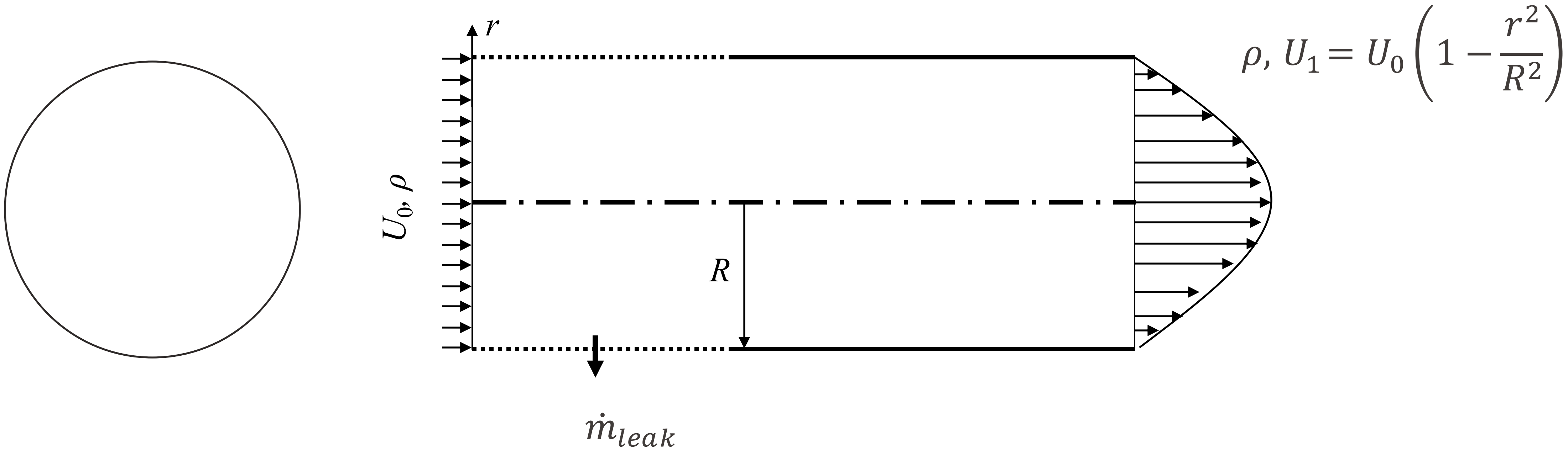
Integral Form

Example: steady-state pipe flow with steady leakage
(inlet and outlet velocities normal to the surface)

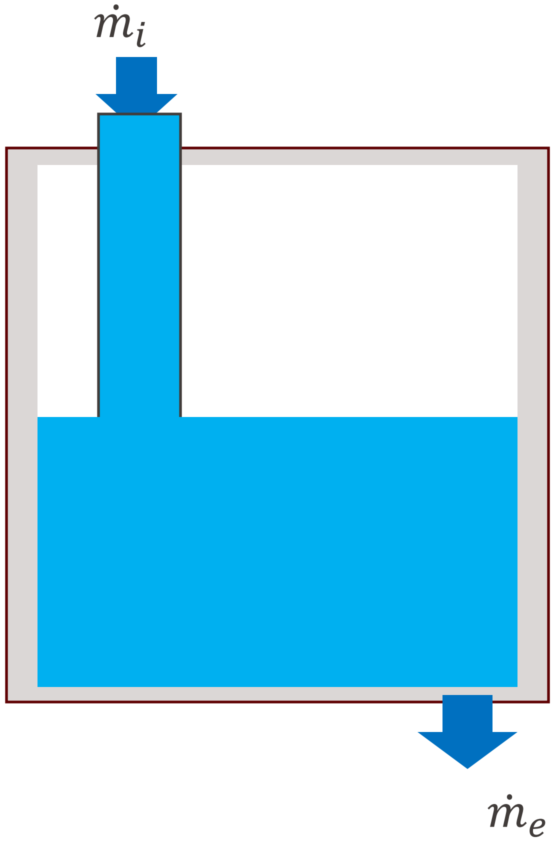


Calculate the mass flow rate leaking through the perforated pipe wall

Integral Form



Example 4.2 in Moran (Transient Mass Balance)



- Water enters and exits an initially empty barrel.
  - Inlet flow rate is $\dot{m}_i = 7$ kg/s
  - Outlet flow rate is proportional to the height of liquid inside $\dot{m}_e = 1.4L$, where L is the instantaneous liquid height (SI units)
  - Base area of the barrel is $A = 0.2$ m^2 and density of water is $\rho = 1000$ kg/m^3

Plot the variation of liquid height *L* as a function of time *t*

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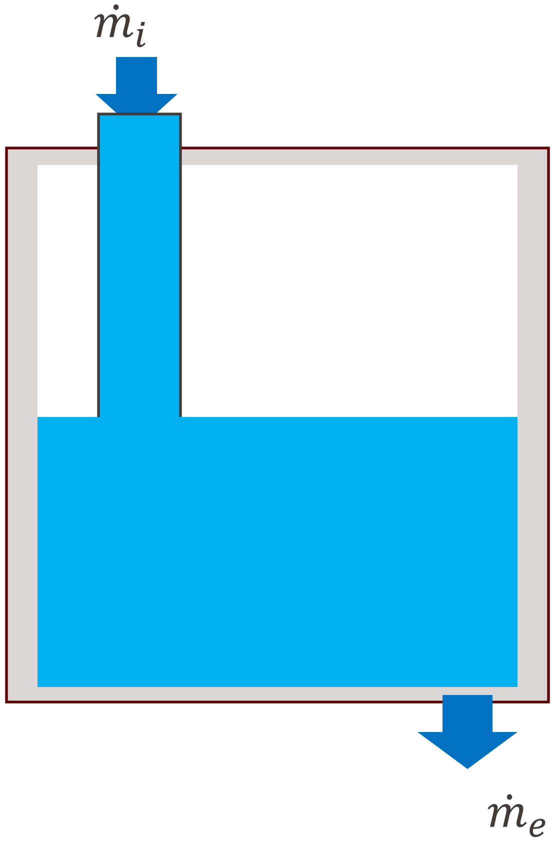

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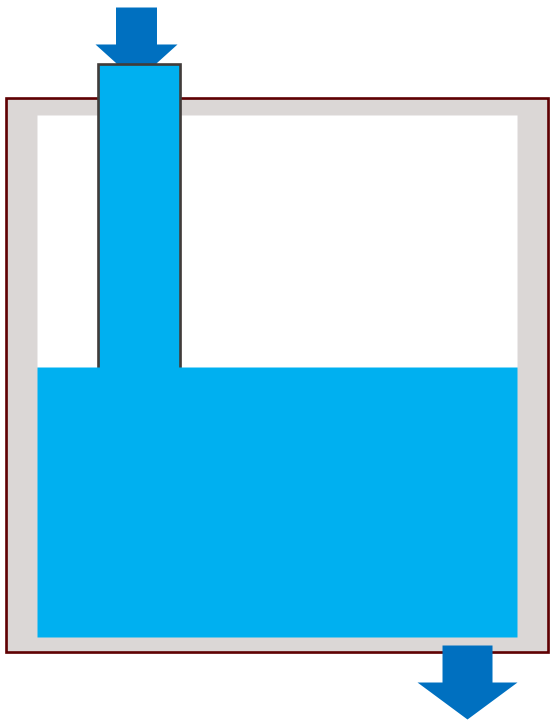
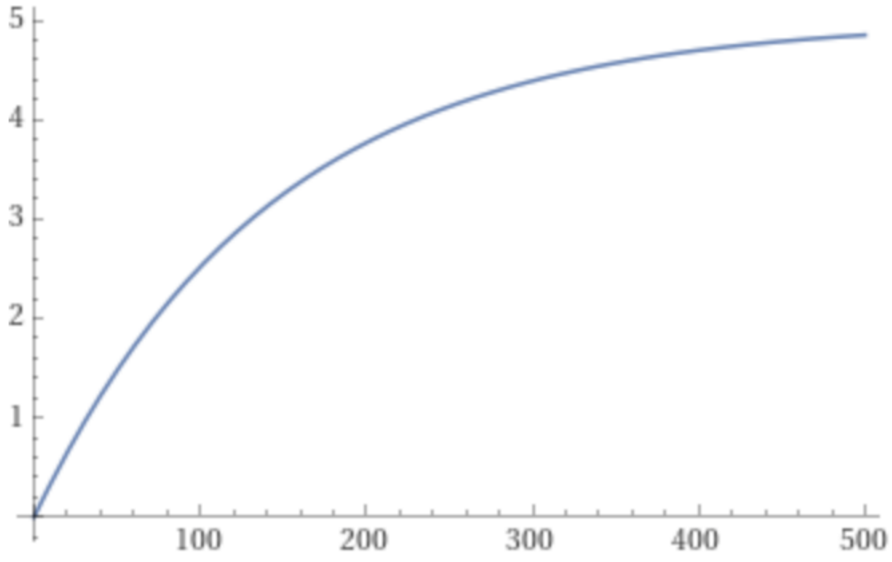
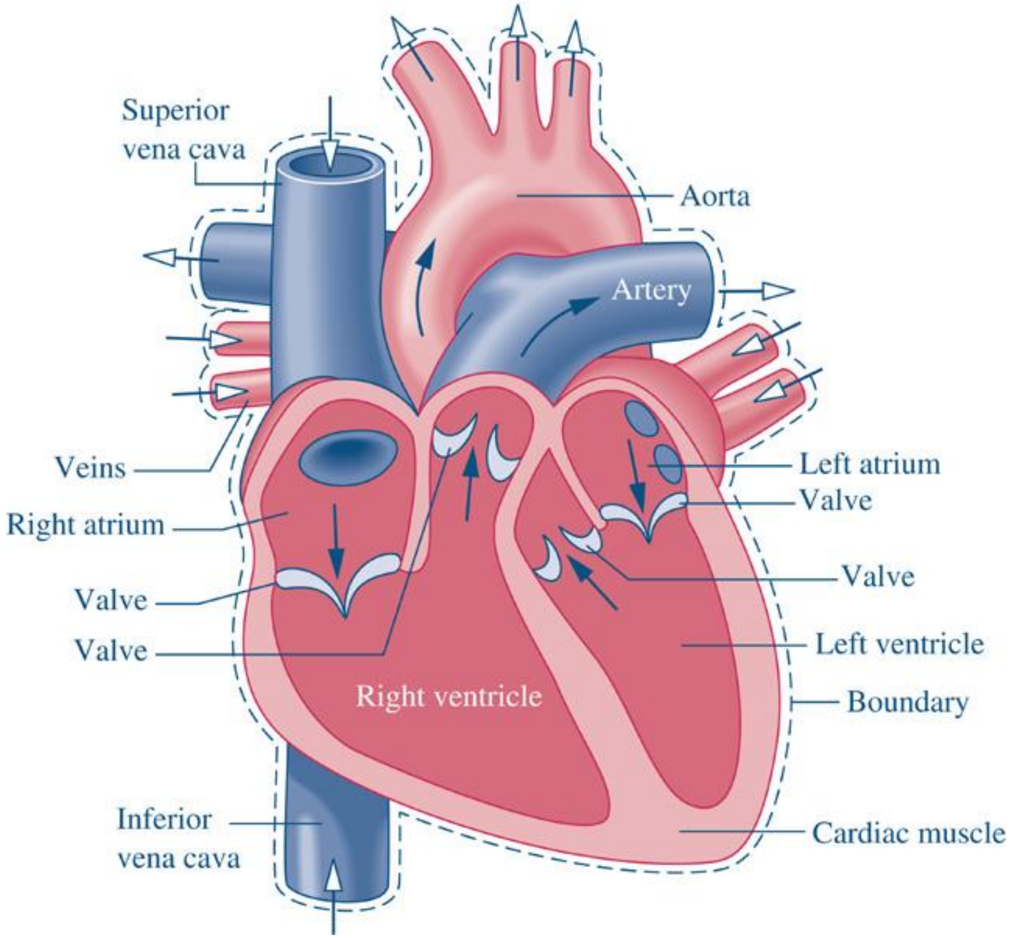


$$L = 5[1 - \exp(-0.007t)]$$



Bio-Connection



- Flow in a human heart is controlled by valves that intermittently allow blood to enter and exit as the heart muscles pump
- The boundary of this control volume is moving as the heart pulses

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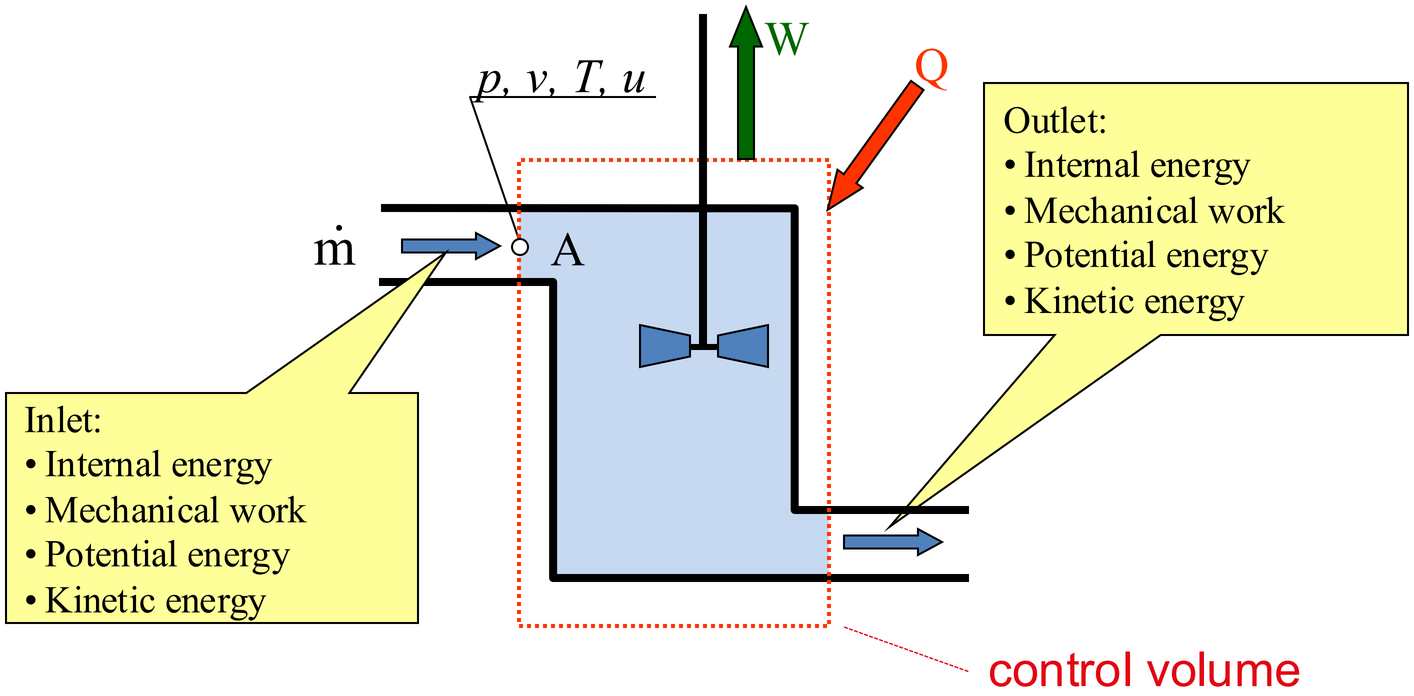

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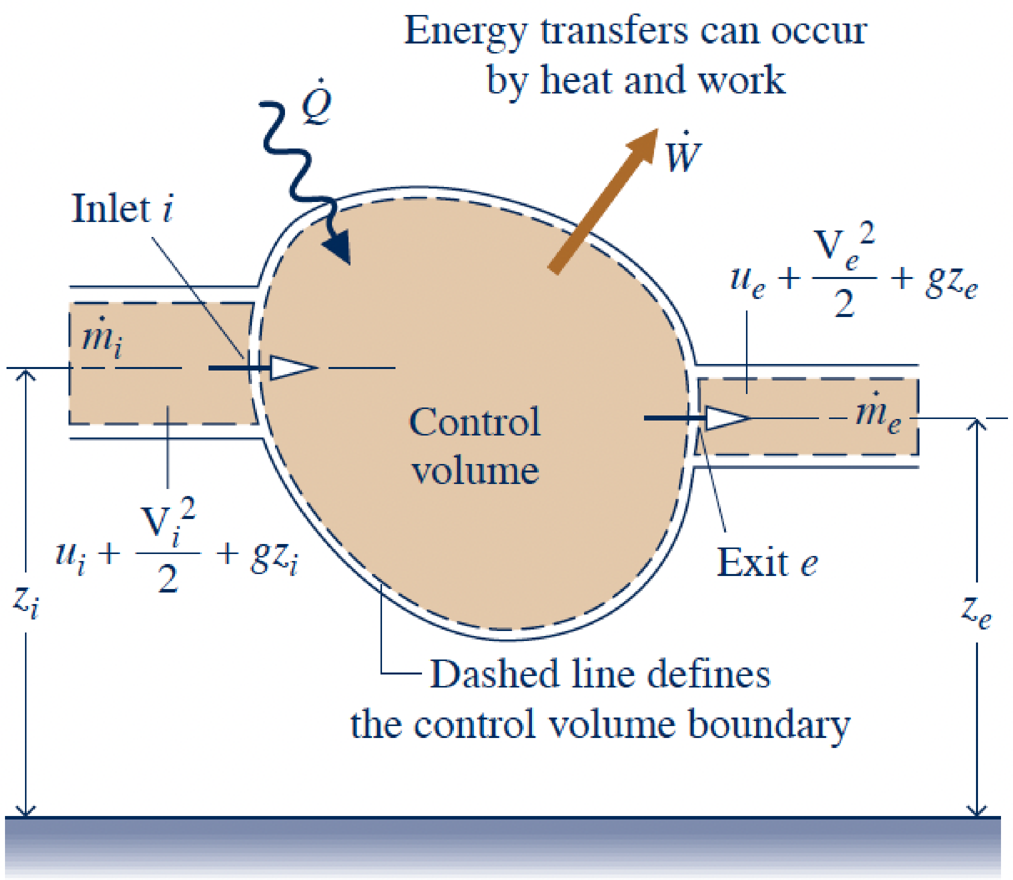
First Law for Open Systems

- Energy rate balance

Time rate of change in the amount of energy contained within a control volume at time *t*

=	Net rate at which energy is transferred into the system by heat transfer at time *t*	−	Net rate at which energy is transferred out of the system by work at time *t*	+	Net rate at which energy is transferred into the system by accompanying **mass flow**

One-Inlet One-Exit Control Volume

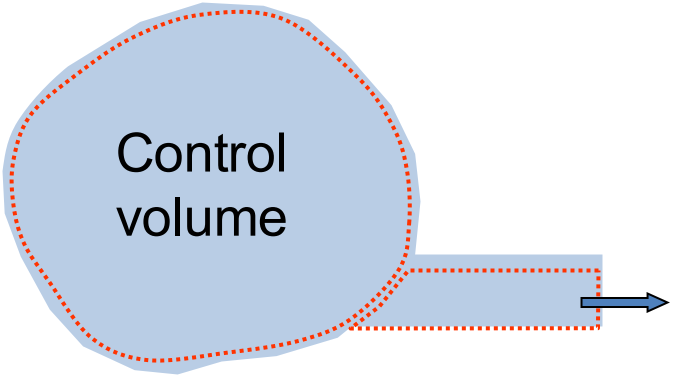


Flow Work on Control Volume

- Separate $\dot{W}$ into two contributions
  - Work (power) associated with fluid pressure as mass is introduced at inlets and removed at exits
  - All other works (power) $\dot{W}_{cv}$

Rate of energy transfer by work **out of** control volume at exit

Rate of energy transfer by work **into** control volume at inlet



Energy Balance Rewritten

Integral Form

$$E_{CV} = \int_{\mathcal{V}} \rho \left(u + \frac{\vec{V}^2}{2} + gz \right) d\mathcal{V}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\int_{\mathcal{V}} \rho \left(u + \frac{\vec{V}^2}{2} + gz \right) d\mathcal{V} = \dot{Q}_{cv} - \dot{W}_{cv} + \sum_i \left[\int_A \left(h + \frac{\vec{V}^2}{2} + gz \right) \rho \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{A} \right]_i - \sum_e \left[\int_A \left(h + \frac{\vec{V}^2}{2} + gz \right) \rho \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{A} \right]_e$$

Compare this to $$\frac{dE_{cv}}{dt} = \dot{Q}_{cv} - \dot{W}_{cv} + \sum_i \dot{m}_i \left(h_i + \frac{\vec{V}_i^2}{2} + gz_i \right) - \sum_e \dot{m}_e \left(h_e + \frac{\vec{V}_e^2}{2} + gz_e \right)$$

Mass + Energy Conservation for CV