

# Entropy — how disordered are you?

New state variable: entropy  $S$   
(other state variables:  $P, V, T, n, E_{int}$ )

On the macroscopic level we can only define the change of entropy

$$dS = \frac{dQ}{T} \quad \Delta S_{12} = \int_{\text{state 1}}^{\text{state 2}} \frac{dQ}{T}$$

Adiabatic process:  $dQ=0 \Rightarrow dS=0 \quad S = \text{const}$   
another name: isentropic process

Isothermal process:  $T = \text{const} \quad dS = \frac{dQ}{T} \Rightarrow \Delta S_{12} = \frac{1}{T} \int_{\text{state 1}}^{\text{state 2}} dQ = \frac{\Delta Q}{T}$

This expression is valid for phase transitions as well:  $T = \text{const} \quad Q = mL \Rightarrow \Delta S = mL/T$

Example: When  $m = 0.1 \text{ kg}$  of ice melts, how much the entropy increases?

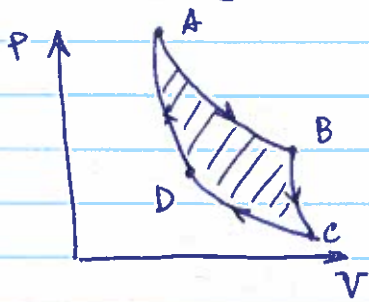
$$L_{\text{fusion}} = 3.34 \cdot 10^5 \text{ J/kg} \quad T = 0^\circ\text{C} = 273 \text{ K}$$

$$\Delta S_{\text{melting}} = \frac{0.1 \text{ kg} \cdot 3.34 \cdot 10^5 \text{ J/kg}}{273 \text{ K}} = 122 \text{ J/K}$$

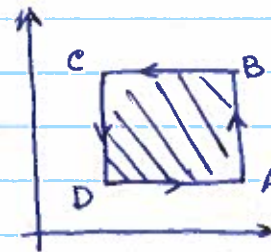
Isochoric process:  $Q = nC_V T \Rightarrow dQ = nC_V dT$   
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## Carno cycle in S-T coordinates



Area of the cycle in P-V  $\rightarrow$   
total work  $W$



Area of the cycle in S-T  $\rightarrow$   
total heat  $Q$

$$dS = \frac{dQ}{T}$$
$$dQ = TdS$$

Since entropy is a state variable, ~~it~~ ideal closed cycle is reversible: it can be repeated in the opposite direction, with no other change anywhere else in the universe. Like unicorns, they don't exist

In reversible processes the system always stays in equilibrium (the whole system is in the same state as any of its part and can be defined by a same set of state variables)

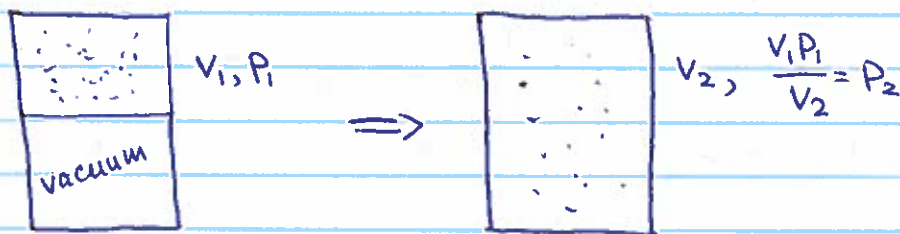
Thus such processes must be slow

- isothermal compression / expansion
- slow adiabatic ——— " ———

What makes a process irreversible?

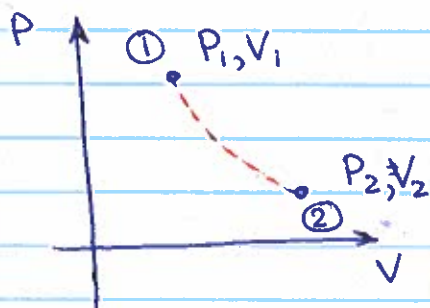
- friction (converts useful energy into waste)
- open system from which energy escapes and cannot be recaptured
- irreversible mixing processes, like mixing of different substance

Example: free gas expansion  $V_1 \rightarrow V_2$   
 $Q=0$ ,  $T = \text{constant}$  so  $\Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0$



$\Delta S = 0$ ?  
 no!  
 irreversible process!

need a different way to calculate



What reversible process gets us from ① to ②?

Isothermal!  $\Delta Q = W = nRT \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1}$

$$\Delta S = \frac{\Delta Q}{T} = nR \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1} > 0$$

Since the initial and final states are the same for irreversible process, there will be the same change in entropy  $\Delta S = nR \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1} > 0$

For an ideal reversible process the entropy of ~~an~~ a closed system does not change  
 $\Delta S (\text{system} + \text{environment}) = 0$

For any natural process  $\Delta S > 0$

Another formulation of the 2<sup>nd</sup> law of thermodynamics:

The ~~entropy~~ <sup>change</sup> of an isolated system can never be negative

or

The entropy of the Universe (as an isolated system) will always increase over time.

The increase of entropy sets the arrow of time.