ENERGY, ENERGY TRANSFER, AND GENERAL ENERGY ANALYSIS

Whether we realize it or not, energy is an important part of most aspects of daily life. The quality of life, and even its sustenance, depends on the availability of energy. Therefore, it is important to have a good understanding of the sources of energy, the conversion of energy from one form to another, and the ramifications of these conversions.

Energy exists in numerous forms such as thermal, mechanical, electric, chemical, and nuclear. Even mass can be considered a form of energy. Energy can be transferred to or from a closed system (a fixed mass) in two distinct forms: heat and work. For control volumes, energy can also be transferred by mass flow. An energy transfer to or from a closed system is heat if it is caused by a temperature difference. Otherwise it is work, and it is caused by a force acting through a distance.

We start this chapter with a discussion of various forms of energy and energy transfer by heat. We then introduce various forms of work and discuss energy transfer by work. We continue with developing a general intuitive expression for the first law of thermodynamics, also known as the conservation of energy principle, which is one of the most fundamental principles in nature, and we then demonstrate its use. Finally, we discuss the efficiencies of some familiar energy conversion processes, and examine the impact on energy conversion on the environment. Detailed treatments of the first law of thermodynamics for closed systems and control volumes are given in Chaps. 4 and 5, respectively.

Objectives
The objectives of Chapter 2 are to:
- Introduce the concept of energy and define its various forms.
- Discuss the nature of internal energy.
- Define the concept of heat and the terminology associated with energy transfer by heat.
- Discuss the three mechanisms of heat transfer: conduction, convection, and radiation.
- Define the concept of work, including electrical work and several forms of mechanical work.
- Introduce the first law of thermodynamics, energy balances, and mechanisms of energy transfer to or from a system.
- Determine that a fluid flowing across a control surface of a control volume carries energy across the control surface in addition to any energy transfer across the control surface that may be in the form of heat and/or work.
- Define energy conversion efficiencies.
- Discuss the implications of energy conversion on the environment.
INTRODUCTION

We are familiar with the conservation of energy principle, which is an expression of the first law of thermodynamics, back from our high school years. We are told repeatedly that energy cannot be created or destroyed during a process; it can only change from one form to another. This seems simple enough, but let’s test ourselves to see how well we understand and truly believe in this principle.

Consider a room whose door and windows are tightly closed, and whose walls are well-insulated so that heat loss or gain through the walls is negligible. Now let’s place a refrigerator in the middle of the room with its door open, and plug it into a wall outlet (Fig. 2–1). You may even use a small fan to circulate the air in order to maintain temperature uniformity in the room. Now, what do you think will happen to the average temperature of air in the room? Will it be increasing or decreasing? Or will it remain constant?

Probably the first thought that comes to mind is that the average air temperature in the room will decrease as the warmer room air mixes with the air cooled by the refrigerator. Some may draw our attention to the heat generated by the motor of the refrigerator, and may argue that the average air temperature may rise if this heating effect is greater than the cooling effect. But they will get confused if it is stated that the motor is made of superconducting materials, and thus there is hardly any heat generation in the motor.

Heated discussion may continue with no end in sight until we remember the conservation of energy principle that we take for granted: If we take the entire room—including the air and the refrigerator—as the system, which is an adiabatic closed system since the room is well-sealed and well-insulated, the only energy interaction involved is the electrical energy crossing the system boundary and entering the room. The conservation of energy requires the energy content of the room to increase by an amount equal to the amount of the electrical energy drawn by the refrigerator, which can be measured by an ordinary electric meter. The refrigerator or its motor does not store this energy. Therefore, this energy must now be in the room air, and it will manifest itself as a rise in the air temperature. The temperature rise of air can be calculated on the basis of the conservation of energy principle using the properties of air and the amount of electrical energy consumed. What do you think would happen if we had a window air conditioning unit instead of a refrigerator placed in the middle of this room? What if we operated a fan in this room instead (Fig. 2–2)?

Note that energy is conserved during the process of operating the refrigerator placed in a room—the electrical energy is converted into an equivalent amount of thermal energy stored in the room air. If energy is already conserved, then what are all those speeches on energy conservation and the measures taken to conserve energy? Actually, by “energy conservation” what is meant is the conservation of the quality of energy, not the quantity. Electricity, which is of the highest quality of energy, for example, can always be converted to an equal amount of thermal energy (also called heat). But only a small fraction of thermal energy, which is the lowest quality of energy, can be converted back to electricity, as we discuss in Chap. 6. Think about the things that you can do with the electrical energy that the
refrigerator has consumed, and the air in the room that is now at a higher temperature.

Now if asked to name the energy transformations associated with the operation of a refrigerator, we may still have a hard time answering because all we see is electrical energy entering the refrigerator and heat dissipated from the refrigerator to the room air. Obviously there is need to study the various forms of energy first, and this is exactly what we do next, followed by a study of the mechanisms of energy transfer.

2–2 = FORMS OF ENERGY

Energy can exist in numerous forms such as thermal, mechanical, kinetic, potential, electric, magnetic, chemical, and nuclear, and their sum constitutes the total energy $E$ of a system. The total energy of a system on a unit mass basis is denoted by $e$ and is expressed as

$$e = \frac{E}{m} \text{ (kJ/kg)} \quad (2-1)$$

Thermodynamics provides no information about the absolute value of the total energy. It deals only with the change of the total energy, which is what matters in engineering problems. Thus the total energy of a system can be assigned a value of zero ($E = 0$) at some convenient reference point. The change in total energy of a system is independent of the reference point selected. The decrease in the potential energy of a falling rock, for example, depends on only the elevation difference and not the reference level selected.

In thermodynamic analysis, it is often helpful to consider the various forms of energy that make up the total energy of a system in two groups: macroscopic and microscopic. The macroscopic forms of energy are those a system possesses as a whole with respect to some outside reference frame, such as kinetic and potential energies (Fig. 2–3). The microscopic forms of energy are those related to the molecular structure of a system and the degree of the molecular activity, and they are independent of outside reference frames. The sum of all the microscopic forms of energy is called the internal energy of a system and is denoted by $U$.

The term energy was coined in 1807 by Thomas Young, and its use in thermodynamics was proposed in 1852 by Lord Kelvin. The term internal energy and its symbol $U$ first appeared in the works of Rudolph Clausius and William Rankine in the second half of the nineteenth century, and it eventually replaced the alternative terms inner work, internal work, and intrinsic energy commonly used at the time.

The macroscopic energy of a system is related to motion and the influence of some external effects such as gravity, magnetism, electricity, and surface tension. The energy that a system possesses as a result of its motion relative to some reference frame is called kinetic energy (KE). When all parts of a system move with the same velocity, the kinetic energy is expressed as

$$KE = m \frac{V^2}{2} \text{ (kJ)} \quad (2-2)$$
or, on a unit mass basis,
\[ \text{ke} = \frac{V^2}{2} \quad \text{(kJ/kg)} \]  \hspace{1cm} (2-3)

where \( V \) denotes the velocity of the system relative to some fixed reference frame. The kinetic energy of a rotating solid body is given by \( \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2 \) where \( I \) is the moment of inertia of the body and \( \omega \) is the angular velocity.

The energy that a system possesses as a result of its elevation in a gravitational field is called potential energy (PE) and is expressed as
\[ \text{PE} = mgz \quad \text{(kJ)} \]  \hspace{1cm} (2-4)

or, on a unit mass basis,
\[ \text{pe} = gz \quad \text{(kJ/kg)} \]  \hspace{1cm} (2-5)

where \( g \) is the gravitational acceleration and \( z \) is the elevation of the center of gravity of a system relative to some arbitrarily selected reference level.

The magnetic, electric, and surface tension effects are significant in some specialized cases only and are usually ignored. In the absence of such effects, the total energy of a system consists of the kinetic, potential, and internal energies and is expressed as
\[ E = U + \text{KE} + \text{PE} = U + m \frac{V^2}{2} + mgz \quad \text{(kJ)} \]  \hspace{1cm} (2-6)

or, on a unit mass basis,
\[ e = u + \text{ke} + \text{pe} = u + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz \quad \text{(kJ/kg)} \]  \hspace{1cm} (2-7)

Most closed systems remain stationary during a process and thus experience no change in their kinetic and potential energies. Closed systems whose velocity and elevation of the center of gravity remain constant during a process are frequently referred to as stationary systems. The change in the total energy \( \Delta E \) of a stationary system is identical to the change in its internal energy \( \Delta U \). In this text, a closed system is assumed to be stationary unless stated otherwise.

Control volumes typically involve fluid flow for long periods of time, and it is convenient to express the energy flow associated with a fluid stream in the rate form. This is done by incorporating the mass flow rate \( \dot{m} \), which is the amount of mass flowing through a cross section per unit time. It is related to the volume flow rate \( \dot{V} \), which is the volume of a fluid flowing through a cross section per unit time, by

\[ \text{Mass flow rate:} \quad \dot{m} = \rho \dot{V} = \rho A_v V_{\text{avg}} \quad \text{(kg/s)} \]  \hspace{1cm} (2-8)

which is analogous to \( m = \rho V \). Here \( \rho \) is the fluid density, \( A_v \) is the cross-sectional area of flow, and \( V_{\text{avg}} \) is the average flow velocity normal to \( A_v \). The dot over a symbol is used to indicate time rate throughout the book. Then the energy flow rate associated with a fluid flowing at a rate of \( \dot{m} \) is (Fig. 2–4)

\[ \text{Energy flow rate:} \quad \dot{E} = \dot{m}e \quad \text{(kJ/s or kW)} \]  \hspace{1cm} (2-9)

which is analogous to \( E = me \).
Some Physical Insight to Internal Energy

Internal energy is defined earlier as the sum of all the microscopic forms of energy of a system. It is related to the molecular structure and the degree of molecular activity, and can be viewed as the sum of the kinetic and potential energies of the molecules.

To have a better understanding of internal energy, let us examine a system at the molecular level. The molecules of a gas move through space with some velocity, and thus possess some kinetic energy. This is known as the translational energy. The atoms of polyatomic molecules rotate about an axis, and the energy associated with this rotation is the rotational kinetic energy. The atoms of a polyatomic molecule may also vibrate about their common center of mass, and the energy associated with this back-and-forth motion is the vibrational kinetic energy. For gases, the kinetic energy is mostly due to translational and rotational motions, with vibrational motion becoming significant at higher temperatures. The electrons in an atom rotate about the nucleus, and thus possess rotational kinetic energy. Electrons at outer orbits have larger kinetic energies. Electrons also spin about their axes, and the energy associated with this motion is the spin energy. Other particles in the nucleus of an atom also possess spin energy. The portion of the internal energy of a system associated with the kinetic energies of the molecules is called the sensible energy (Fig. 2–5). The average velocity and the degree of activity of the molecules are proportional to the temperature of the gas. Therefore, at higher temperatures, the molecules possess higher kinetic energies, and as a result the system has a higher internal energy.

The internal energy is also associated with various binding forces between the molecules of a substance, between the atoms within a molecule, and between the particles within an atom and its nucleus. The forces that bind the molecules to each other are, as one would expect, strongest in solids and weakest in gases. If sufficient energy is added to the molecules of a solid or liquid, the molecules overcome these molecular forces and break away, turning the substance into a gas. This is a phase-change process. Because of this added energy, a system in the gas phase is at a higher internal energy level than it is in the solid or the liquid phase. The internal energy associated with the phase of a system is called the latent energy. The phase-change process can occur without a change in the chemical composition of a system. Most practical problems fall into this category, and one does not need to pay any attention to the forces binding the atoms in a molecule to each other.

An atom consists of neutrons and positively charged protons bound together by very strong nuclear forces in the nucleus, and negatively charged electrons orbiting around it. The internal energy associated with the atomic bonds in a molecule is called chemical energy. During a chemical reaction, such as a combustion process, some chemical bonds are destroyed while others are formed. As a result, the internal energy changes. The nuclear forces are much larger than the forces that bind the electrons to the nucleus. The tremendous amount of energy associated with the strong bonds within the nucleus of the atom itself is called nuclear energy (Fig. 2–6). Obviously, we need not be concerned with nuclear energy in thermodynamics unless, of course, we deal with fusion or fission reactions. A chemical reaction involves changes in the structure of the electrons of the atoms, but a nuclear reaction involves changes in the core or nucleus. Therefore, an
atom preserves its identity during a chemical reaction but loses it during a nuclear reaction. Atoms may also possess electric and magnetic dipole-moment energies when subjected to external electric and magnetic fields due to the twisting of the magnetic dipoles produced by the small electric currents associated with the orbiting electrons.

The forms of energy already discussed, which constitute the total energy of a system, can be contained or stored in a system, and thus can be viewed as the static forms of energy. The forms of energy not stored in a system can be viewed as the dynamic forms of energy or as energy interactions. The dynamic forms of energy are recognized at the system boundary as they cross it, and they represent the energy gained or lost by a system during a process. The only two forms of energy interactions associated with a closed system are heat transfer and work. An energy interaction is heat transfer if its driving force is a temperature difference. Otherwise it is work, as explained in the next section. A control volume can also exchange energy via mass transfer since any time mass is transferred into or out of a system, the energy content of the mass is also transferred with it.

In daily life, we frequently refer to the sensible and latent forms of internal energy as heat, and we talk about heat content of bodies. In thermodynamics, however, we usually refer to those forms of energy as thermal energy to prevent any confusion with heat transfer.

Distinction should be made between the macroscopic kinetic energy of an object as a whole and the microscopic kinetic energies of its molecules that constitute the sensible internal energy of the object (Fig. 2–7). The kinetic energy of an object is an organized form of energy associated with the orderly motion of all molecules in one direction in a straight path or around an axis. In contrast, the kinetic energies of the molecules are completely random and highly disorganized. As you will see in later chapters, the organized energy is much more valuable than the disorganized energy, and a major application area of thermodynamics is the conversion of disorganized energy (heat) into organized energy (work). You will also see that the organized energy can be converted to disorganized energy completely, but only a fraction of disorganized energy can be converted to organized energy by specially built devices called heat engines (like car engines and power plants). A similar argument can be given for the macroscopic potential energy of an object as a whole and the microscopic potential energies of the molecules.

More on Nuclear Energy

The best known fission reaction involves the split of the uranium atom (the U-235 isotope) into other elements and is commonly used to generate electricity in nuclear power plants (440 of them in 2004, generating 363,000 MW worldwide), to power nuclear submarines and aircraft carriers, and even to power spacecraft as well as building nuclear bombs.

The percentage of electricity produced by nuclear power is 78 percent in France, 25 percent in Japan, 28 percent in Germany, and 20 percent in the United States. The first nuclear chain reaction was achieved by Enrico Fermi in 1942, and the first large-scale nuclear reactors were built in 1944 for the purpose of producing material for nuclear weapons. When a
uranium-235 atom absorbs a neutron and splits during a fission process, it produces a cesium-140 atom, a rubidium-93 atom, 3 neutrons, and $3.2 \times 10^{-11}$ J of energy. In practical terms, the complete fission of 1 kg of uranium-235 releases $6.73 \times 10^{10}$ kJ of heat, which is more than the heat released when 3000 tons of coal are burned. Therefore, for the same amount of fuel, a nuclear fission reaction releases several million times more energy than a chemical reaction. The safe disposal of used nuclear fuel, however, remains a concern.

Nuclear energy by fusion is released when two small nuclei combine into a larger one. The huge amount of energy radiated by the sun and the other stars originates from such a fusion process that involves the combination of two hydrogen atoms into a helium atom. When two heavy hydrogen (deuterium) nuclei combine during a fusion process, they produce a helium-3 atom, a free neutron, and $5.1 \times 10^{-13}$ J of energy (Fig. 2–8).

Fusion reactions are much more difficult to achieve in practice because of the strong repulsion between the positively charged nuclei, called the Coulomb repulsion. To overcome this repulsive force and to enable the two nuclei to fuse together, the energy level of the nuclei must be raised by heating them to about 100 million °C. But such high temperatures are found only in the stars or in exploding atomic bombs (the A-bomb). In fact, the uncontrolled fusion reaction in a hydrogen bomb (the H-bomb) is initiated by a small atomic bomb. The uncontrolled fusion reaction was achieved in the early 1950s, but all the efforts since then to achieve controlled fusion by massive lasers, powerful magnetic fields, and electric currents to generate power have failed.

**EXAMPLE 2–1 A Car Powered by Nuclear Fuel**

An average car consumes about 5 L of gasoline a day, and the capacity of the fuel tank of a car is about 50 L. Therefore, a car needs to be refueled once every 10 days. Also, the density of gasoline ranges from 0.68 to 0.78 kg/L, and its lower heating value is about 44,000 kJ/kg (that is, 44,000 kJ of heat is released when 1 kg of gasoline is completely burned). Suppose all the problems associated with the radioactivity and waste disposal of nuclear fuels are resolved, and a car is to be powered by U-235. If a new car comes equipped with 0.1-kg of the nuclear fuel U-235, determine if this car will ever need refueling under average driving conditions (Fig. 2–9).

**Solution** A car powered by nuclear energy comes equipped with nuclear fuel. It is to be determined if this car will ever need refueling.

**Assumptions** 1 Gasoline is an incompressible substance with an average density of 0.75 kg/L. 2 Nuclear fuel is completely converted to thermal energy.

**Analysis** The mass of gasoline used per day by the car is

$$m_{\text{gasoline}} = (\rho V)_{\text{gasoline}} = (0.75 \text{ kg/L})(5 \text{ L/day}) = 3.75 \text{ kg/day}$$

Noting that the heating value of gasoline is 44,000 kJ/kg, the energy supplied to the car per day is

$$E = (m_{\text{gasoline}})(\text{Heating value})$$

$$= (3.75 \text{ kg/day})(44,000 \text{ kJ/kg}) = 165,000 \text{ kJ/day}$$

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FIGURE 2–8

The fission of uranium and the fusion of hydrogen during nuclear reactions, and the release of nuclear energy.
The complete fission of 0.1 kg of uranium-235 releases
\[
(6.73 \times 10^{10} \text{ kJ/kg})(0.1 \text{ kg}) = 6.73 \times 10^9 \text{ kJ}
\]
of heat, which is sufficient to meet the energy needs of the car for
\[
\text{No. of days} = \frac{\text{Energy content of fuel}}{\text{Daily energy use}} = \frac{6.73 \times 10^9 \text{ kJ}}{165,000 \text{ kJ/day}} = 40,790 \text{ days}
\]
which is equivalent to about 112 years. Considering that no car will last more than 100 years, this car will never need refueling. It appears that nuclear fuel of the size of a cherry is sufficient to power a car during its lifetime.

**Discussion** Note that this problem is not quite realistic since the necessary critical mass cannot be achieved with such a small amount of fuel. Further, all of the uranium cannot be converted in fission, again because of the critical mass problems after partial conversion.

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**Mechanical Energy**

Many engineering systems are designed to transport a fluid from one location to another at a specified flow rate, velocity, and elevation difference, and the system may generate mechanical work in a turbine or it may consume mechanical work in a pump or fan during this process (Fig. 2–10). These systems do not involve the conversion of nuclear, chemical, or thermal energy to mechanical energy. Also, they do not involve any heat transfer in any significant amount, and they operate essentially at constant temperature. Such systems can be analyzed conveniently by considering the mechanical forms of energy only and the frictional effects that cause the mechanical energy to be lost (i.e., to be converted to thermal energy that usually cannot be used for any useful purpose).

The mechanical energy can be defined as the form of energy that can be converted to mechanical work completely and directly by an ideal mechanical device such as an ideal turbine. Kinetic and potential energies are the familiar forms of mechanical energy. Thermal energy is not mechanical energy, however, since it cannot be converted to work directly and completely (the second law of thermodynamics).

A pump transfers mechanical energy to a fluid by raising its pressure, and a turbine extracts mechanical energy from a fluid by dropping its pressure. Therefore, the pressure of a flowing fluid is also associated with its mechanical energy. In fact, the pressure unit Pa is equivalent to \( \text{Pa} = \text{N/m}^2 = \text{N} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} = \text{J/kg} \cdot \text{m}^{-1} \), which is energy per unit volume, and the product \( PV \) or its equivalent \( P/\rho \) has the unit J/kg, which is energy per unit mass. Note that pressure itself is not a form of energy but a pressure force acting on a fluid through a distance produces work, called flow work, in the amount of \( P/\rho \) per unit mass. Flow work is expressed in terms of fluid properties, and it is convenient to view it as part of the energy of a flowing fluid and call it flow energy. Therefore, the mechanical energy of a flowing fluid can be expressed on a unit mass basis as

\[
e_{\text{mech}} = \frac{P}{\rho} + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz \quad (2-10)
\]
where $\frac{P}{\rho}$ is the flow energy, $V^2/2$ is the kinetic energy, and $gz$ is the potential energy of the fluid, all per unit mass. It can also be expressed in rate form as

$$\dot{E}_{\text{mech}} = \dot{m}e_{\text{mech}} = \dot{m}\left(\frac{P}{\rho} + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz\right) \quad (2-11)$$

where $\dot{m}$ is the mass flow rate of the fluid. Then the mechanical energy change of a fluid during incompressible ($\rho =$ constant) flow becomes

$$\Delta e_{\text{mech}} = \frac{P_2 - P_1}{\rho} + \frac{V_2^2 - V_1^2}{2} + g(z_2 - z_1) \quad (\text{kJ/kg}) \quad (2-12)$$

and

$$\Delta \dot{E}_{\text{mech}} = \dot{m}\Delta e_{\text{mech}} = \dot{m}\left(\frac{P_2 - P_1}{\rho} + \frac{V_2^2 - V_1^2}{2} + g(z_2 - z_1)\right) \quad (\text{kW}) \quad (2-13)$$

Therefore, the mechanical energy of a fluid does not change during flow if its pressure, density, velocity, and elevation remain constant. In the absence of any irreversible losses, the mechanical energy change represents the mechanical work supplied to the fluid (if $\Delta e_{\text{mech}} > 0$) or extracted from the fluid (if $\Delta e_{\text{mech}} < 0$). The maximum (ideal) power generated by a turbine, for example, is $P_{\text{max}} = \dot{m}\Delta e_{\text{mech}}$, as shown in Fig. 2–11.

**EXAMPLE 2–2 Wind Energy**

A site evaluated for a wind farm is observed to have steady winds at a speed of 8.5 m/s (Fig. 2–12). Determine the wind energy (a) per unit mass, (b) for a mass of 10 kg, and (c) for a flow rate of 1154 kg/s for air.

**Solution** A site with a specified wind speed is considered. Wind energy per unit mass, for a specified mass, and for a given mass flow rate of air are to be determined.

**Assumptions** Wind flows steadily at the specified speed.

**Analysis** The only harvestable form of energy of atmospheric air is the kinetic energy, which is captured by a wind turbine.

(a) Wind energy per unit mass of air is

$$e = ke = \frac{V^2}{2} = \frac{(8.5 \text{ m/s})^2}{2} = \frac{1 \text{ J/kg}}{1 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} = 36.1 \text{ J/kg}$$

(b) Wind energy for an air mass of 10 kg is

$$E = me = (10 \text{ kg})(36.1 \text{ J/kg}) = 361 \text{ J}$$

(c) Wind energy for a mass flow rate of 1154 kg/s is

$$\dot{E} = \dot{m}e = (1154 \text{ kg/s})(36.1 \text{ J/kg}) = 41.7 \text{ kW}$$

**Discussion** It can be shown that the specified mass flow rate corresponds to a 12-m diameter flow section when the air density is 1.2 kg/m$^3$. Therefore, a wind turbine with a wind span diameter of 12 m has a power generation potential of 41.7 kW. Real wind turbines convert about one-third of this potential to electric power.
2–3 ENERGY TRANSFER BY HEAT

Energy can cross the boundary of a closed system in two distinct forms: heat and work (Fig. 2–13). It is important to distinguish between these two forms of energy. Therefore, they will be discussed first, to form a sound basis for the development of the laws of thermodynamics.

We know from experience that a can of cold soda left on a table eventually warms up and that a hot baked potato on the same table cools down. When a body is left in a medium that is at a different temperature, energy transfer takes place between the body and the surrounding medium until thermal equilibrium is established, that is, the body and the medium reach the same temperature. The direction of energy transfer is always from the higher temperature body to the lower temperature one. Once the temperature equality is established, energy transfer stops. In the processes described above, energy is said to be transferred in the form of heat.

Heat is defined as the form of energy that is transferred between two systems (or a system and its surroundings) by virtue of a temperature difference (Fig. 2–14). That is, an energy interaction is heat only if it takes place because of a temperature difference. Then it follows that there cannot be any heat transfer between two systems that are at the same temperature.

Several phrases in common use today—such as heat flow, heat addition, heat rejection, heat absorption, heat removal, heat gain, heat loss, heat storage, heat generation, electrical heating, resistance heating, frictional heating, gas heating, heat of reaction, liberation of heat, specific heat, sensible heat, latent heat, waste heat, body heat, process heat, heat sink, and heat source—are not consistent with the strict thermodynamic meaning of the term heat, which limits its use to the transfer of thermal energy during a process. However, these phrases are deeply rooted in our vocabulary, and they are used by both ordinary people and scientists without causing any misunderstanding since they are usually interpreted properly instead of being taken literally. (Besides, no acceptable alternatives exist for some of these phrases.) For example, the phrase body heat is understood to mean the thermal energy content of a body. Likewise, heat flow is understood to mean the transfer of thermal energy, not the flow of a fluidlike substance called heat, although the latter incorrect interpretation, which is based on the caloric theory, is the origin of this phrase. Also, the transfer of heat into a system is frequently referred to as heat addition and the transfer of heat out of a system as heat rejection. Perhaps there are thermodynamic reasons for being so reluctant to replace heat by thermal energy: It takes less time and energy to say, write, and comprehend heat than it does thermal energy.

Heat is energy in transition. It is recognized only as it crosses the boundary of a system. Consider the hot baked potato one more time. The potato contains energy, but this energy is heat transfer only as it passes through the skin of the potato (the system boundary) to reach the air, as shown in Fig. 2–15. Once in the surroundings, the transferred heat becomes part of the internal energy of the surroundings. Thus, in thermodynamics, the term heat simply means heat transfer.
A process during which there is no heat transfer is called an **adiabatic process** (Fig. 2–16). The word *adiabatic* comes from the Greek word *adiabatos*, which means *not to be passed*. There are two ways a process can be adiabatic: Either the system is well insulated so that only a negligible amount of heat can pass through the boundary, or both the system and the surroundings are at the same temperature and therefore there is no driving force (temperature difference) for heat transfer. An adiabatic process should not be confused with an isothermal process. Even though there is no heat transfer during an adiabatic process, the energy content and thus the temperature of a system can still be changed by other means such as work.

As a form of energy, heat has energy units, kJ (or Btu) being the most common one. The amount of heat transferred during the process between two states (states 1 and 2) is denoted by $Q_{12}$, or just $Q$. Heat transfer per unit mass of a system is denoted $q$ and is determined from

$$q = \frac{Q}{m} \text{ (kJ/kg)}$$  \hspace{1cm} (2–14)

Sometimes it is desirable to know the *rate of heat transfer* (the amount of heat transferred per unit time) instead of the total heat transferred over some time interval (Fig. 2–17). The heat transfer rate is denoted $\dot{Q}$, where the overdot stands for the time derivative, or “per unit time.” The heat transfer rate $\dot{Q}$ has the unit kJ/s, which is equivalent to kW. When $\dot{Q}$ varies with time, the amount of heat transfer during a process is determined by integrating $\dot{Q}$ over the time interval of the process:

$$Q = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \dot{Q} \, dt \text{ (kJ)}$$  \hspace{1cm} (2–15)

When $\dot{Q}$ remains constant during a process, this relation reduces to

$$Q = \dot{Q} \Delta t \text{ (kJ)}$$  \hspace{1cm} (2–16)

where $\Delta t = t_2 - t_1$ is the time interval during which the process takes place.

**Historical Background on Heat**

Heat has always been perceived to be something that produces in us a sensation of warmth, and one would think that the nature of heat is one of the first things understood by mankind. However, it was only in the middle of the nineteenth century that we had a true physical understanding of the nature of heat, thanks to the development at that time of the *kinetic theory*, which treats molecules as tiny balls that are in motion and thus possess kinetic energy. Heat is then defined as the energy associated with the random motion of atoms and molecules. Although it was suggested in the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries that heat is the manifestation of motion at the molecular level (called the *live force*), the prevailing view of heat until the middle of the nineteenth century was based on the caloric theory proposed by the French chemist Antoine Lavoisier (1744–1794) in 1789. The caloric theory asserts that heat is a fluidlike substance called the *caloric* that is a massless, colorless, odorless, and tasteless substance that can be poured from one body into another (Fig. 2–18). When caloric was added to
a body, its temperature increased; and when caloric was removed from a body, its temperature decreased. When a body could not contain any more caloric, much the same way as when a glass of water could not dissolve any more salt or sugar, the body was said to be saturated with caloric. This interpretation gave rise to the terms **saturated liquid** and **saturated vapor** that are still in use today.

The caloric theory came under attack soon after its introduction. It maintained that heat is a substance that could not be created or destroyed. Yet it was known that heat can be generated indefinitely by rubbing one’s hands together or rubbing two pieces of wood together. In 1798, the American Benjamin Thompson (Count Rumford) (1754–1814) showed in his papers that heat can be generated continuously through friction. The validity of the caloric theory was also challenged by several others. But it was the careful experiments of the Englishman James P. Joule (1818–1889) published in 1843 that finally convinced the skeptics that heat was not a substance after all, and thus put the caloric theory to rest. Although the caloric theory was totally abandoned in the middle of the nineteenth century, it contributed greatly to the development of thermodynamics and heat transfer.

Heat is transferred by three mechanisms: conduction, convection, and radiation. **Conduction** is the transfer of energy from the more energetic particles of a substance to the adjacent less energetic ones as a result of interaction between particles. **Convection** is the transfer of energy between a solid surface and the adjacent fluid that is in motion, and it involves the combined effects of conduction and fluid motion. **Radiation** is the transfer of energy due to the emission of electromagnetic waves (or photons). An overview of the three mechanisms of heat transfer is given at the end of this chapter as a Topic of Special Interest.

**2–4 ENERGY TRANSFER BY WORK**

Work, like heat, is an energy interaction between a system and its surroundings. As mentioned earlier, energy can cross the boundary of a closed system in the form of heat or work. Therefore, *if the energy crossing the boundary of a closed system is not heat, it must be work.* Heat is easy to recognize: Its driving force is a temperature difference between the system and its surroundings. Then we can simply say that an energy interaction that is not caused by a temperature difference between a system and its surroundings is work. More specifically, *work is the energy transfer associated with a force acting through a distance.* A rising piston, a rotating shaft, and an electric wire crossing the system boundaries are all associated with work interactions.

Work is also a form of energy transferred like heat and, therefore, has energy units such as kJ. The work done during a process between states 1 and 2 is denoted by $W_{12}$, or simply $W$. The work done *per unit mass* of a system is denoted by $w$ and is expressed as

$$w = \frac{W}{m} \quad (\text{kJ/kg})$$  

The work done *per unit time* is called **power** and is denoted $W$. (Fig. 2–19). The unit of power is kJ/s, or kW.
Heat and work are *directional quantities*, and thus the complete description of a heat or work interaction requires the specification of both the *magnitude* and *direction*. One way of doing that is to adopt a sign convention. The generally accepted **formal sign convention** for heat and work interactions is as follows: heat transfer to a system and work done by a system are positive; heat transfer from a system and work done on a system are negative. Another way is to use the subscripts *in* and *out* to indicate direction (Fig. 2–20). For example, a work input of 5 kJ can be expressed as $W_{\text{in}} = 5 \text{ kJ}$, while a heat loss of 3 kJ can be expressed as $Q_{\text{out}} = 3 \text{ kJ}$. When the direction of a heat or work interaction is not known, we can simply assume a direction for the interaction (using the subscript *in* or *out*) and solve for it. A positive result indicates the assumed direction is right. A negative result, on the other hand, indicates that the direction of the interaction is the opposite of the assumed direction. This is just like assuming a direction for an unknown force when solving a statics problem, and reversing the direction when a negative result is obtained for the force. We will use this **intuitive approach** in this book as it eliminates the need to adopt a formal sign convention and the need to carefully assign negative values to some interactions.

Note that a quantity that is transferred to or from a system during an interaction is not a property since the amount of such a quantity depends on more than just the state of the system. Heat and work are *energy transfer mechanisms* between a system and its surroundings, and there are many similarities between them:

1. Both are recognized at the boundaries of a system as they cross the boundaries. That is, both heat and work are *boundary* phenomena.
2. Systems possess energy, but not heat or work.
3. Both are associated with a *process*, not a state. Unlike properties, heat or work has no meaning at a state.
4. Both are *path functions* (i.e., their magnitudes depend on the path followed during a process as well as the end states).

**Path functions** have *inexact differentials* designated by the symbol $\delta$. Therefore, a differential amount of heat or work is represented by $\delta Q$ or $\delta W$, respectively, instead of $dQ$ or $dW$. Properties, however, are *point functions* (i.e., they depend on the state only, and not on how a system reaches that state), and they have *exact differentials* designated by the symbol $d$. A small change in volume, for example, is represented by $dV$, and the total volume change during a process between states 1 and 2 is

$$\int_1^2 dV = V_2 - V_1 = \Delta V$$

That is, the volume change during process 1–2 is always the volume at state 2 minus the volume at state 1, regardless of the path followed (Fig. 2–21). The total work done during process 1–2, however, is

$$\int_1^2 \delta W = W_{12} \quad (\text{not } \Delta W)$$

![FIGURE 2–20](image)

Specifying the directions of heat and work.

![FIGURE 2–21](image)

Properties are point functions; but heat and work are path functions (their magnitudes depend on the path followed).
That is, the total work is obtained by following the process path and adding the differential amounts of work (\(\delta W\)) done along the way. The integral of \(\delta W\) is not \(W_2 - W_1\) (i.e., the work at state 2 minus work at state 1), which is meaningless since work is not a property and systems do not possess work at a state.

**EXAMPLE 2–3  Burning of a Candle in an Insulated Room**

A candle is burning in a well-insulated room. Taking the room (the air plus the candle) as the system, determine (a) if there is any heat transfer during this burning process and (b) if there is any change in the internal energy of the system.

**Solution** A candle burning in a well-insulated room is considered. It is to be determined whether there is any heat transfer and any change in internal energy.

**Analysis** (a) The interior surfaces of the room form the system boundary, as indicated by the dashed lines in Fig. 2–22. As pointed out earlier, heat is recognized as it crosses the boundaries. Since the room is well insulated, we have an adiabatic system and no heat will pass through the boundaries. Therefore, \(Q = 0\) for this process.

(b) The internal energy involves energies that exist in various forms (sensible, latent, chemical, nuclear). During the process just described, part of the chemical energy is converted to sensible energy. Since there is no increase or decrease in the total internal energy of the system, \(\Delta U = 0\) for this process.

**EXAMPLE 2–4  Heating of a Potato in an Oven**

A potato initially at room temperature (25°C) is being baked in an oven that maintains it at 200°C, as shown in Fig. 2–23. Is there any heat transfer during this baking process?

**Solution** A potato is being baked in an oven. It is to be determined whether there is any heat transfer during this process.

**Analysis** This is not a well-defined problem since the system is not specified. Let us assume that we are observing the potato, which will be our system. Then the outer surface of the skin of the potato can be viewed as the system boundary. Part of the energy in the oven will pass through the skin to the potato. Since the driving force for this energy transfer is a temperature difference, this is a heat transfer process.

**EXAMPLE 2–5  Heating of an Oven by Work Transfer**

A well-insulated electric oven is being heated through its heating element. If the entire oven, including the heating element, is taken to be the system, determine whether this is a heat or work interaction.
A well-insulated electric oven is being heated by its heating element. It is to be determined whether this is a heat or work interaction.

**Analysis**

For this problem, the interior surfaces of the oven form the system boundary, as shown in Fig. 2–24. The energy content of the oven obviously increases during this process, as evidenced by a rise in temperature. This energy transfer to the oven is not caused by a temperature difference between the oven and the surrounding air. Instead, it is caused by electrons crossing the system boundary and thus doing work. Therefore, this is a work interaction.

**EXAMPLE 2–6 Heating of an Oven by Heat Transfer**

Answer the question in Example 2–5 if the system is taken as only the air in the oven without the heating element.

**Solution**

The question in Example 2–5 is to be reconsidered by taking the system to be only the air in the oven.

**Analysis**

This time, the system boundary will include the outer surface of the heating element and will not cut through it, as shown in Fig. 2–25. Therefore, no electrons will be crossing the system boundary at any point. Instead, the energy generated in the interior of the heating element will be transferred to the air around it as a result of the temperature difference between the heating element and the air in the oven. Therefore, this is a heat transfer process.

**Discussion**

For both cases, the amount of energy transfer to the air is the same. These two examples show that an energy transfer can be heat or work, depending on how the system is selected.

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**Electrical Work**

It was pointed out in Example 2–5 that electrons crossing the system boundary do electrical work on the system. In an electric field, electrons in a wire move under the effect of electromotive forces, doing work. When \( N \) coulombs of electrical charge move through a potential difference \( V \), the electrical work done is

\[
W_e = VN
\]

which can also be expressed in the rate form as

\[
\dot{W}_e = VI \quad \text{(W)} \quad (2-18)
\]

where \( \dot{W}_e \) is the electrical power and \( I \) is the number of electrical charges flowing per unit time, that is, the current (Fig. 2–26). In general, both \( V \) and \( I \) vary with time, and the electrical work done during a time interval \( \Delta t \) is expressed as

\[
W_e = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} VI \, dt \quad \text{(kJ)} \quad (2-19)
\]

When both \( V \) and \( I \) remain constant during the time interval \( \Delta t \), it reduces to

\[
W_e = VI \Delta t \quad \text{(kJ)} \quad (2-20)
\]
2–5 MECHANICAL FORMS OF WORK

There are several different ways of doing work, each in some way related to a force acting through a distance (Fig. 2–27). In elementary mechanics, the work done by a constant force $F$ on a body displaced a distance $s$ in the direction of the force is given by

$$W = Fs \quad (\text{kJ}) \quad (2–21)$$

If the force $F$ is not constant, the work done is obtained by adding (i.e., integrating) the differential amounts of work,

$$W = \int_{1}^{2} F \, ds \quad (\text{kJ}) \quad (2–22)$$

Obviously, one needs to know how the force varies with displacement to perform this integration. Equations 2–21 and 2–22 give only the magnitude of the work. The sign is easily determined from physical considerations: The work done on a system by an external force acting in the direction of motion is negative, and work done by a system against an external force acting in the opposite direction to motion is positive.

There are two requirements for a work interaction between a system and its surroundings to exist: (1) there must be a force acting on the boundary, and (2) the boundary must move. Therefore, the presence of forces on the boundary without any displacement of the boundary does not constitute a work interaction. Likewise, the displacement of the boundary without any force to oppose or drive this motion (such as the expansion of a gas into an evacuated space) is not a work interaction since no energy is transferred.

In many thermodynamic problems, mechanical work is the only form of work involved. It is associated with the movement of the boundary of a system or with the movement of the entire system as a whole (Fig. 2–28). Some common forms of mechanical work are discussed next.

Shaft Work

Energy transmission with a rotating shaft is very common in engineering practice (Fig. 2–29). Often the torque $T$ applied to the shaft is constant, which means that the force $F$ applied is also constant. For a specified constant torque, the work done during $n$ revolutions is determined as follows: A force $F$ acting through a moment arm $r$ generates a torque $T$ of (Fig. 2–30)

$$T = Fr \quad \rightarrow \quad F = \frac{T}{r} \quad (2–23)$$

This force acts through a distance $s$, which is related to the radius $r$ by

$$s = (2\pi r)n \quad (2–24)$$

Then the shaft work is determined from

$$W_{sh} = Fs = \left(\frac{T}{r}\right)(2\pi n) = 2\pi nT \quad (\text{kJ}) \quad (2–25)$$

The power transmitted through the shaft is the shaft work done per unit time, which can be expressed as

$$\dot{W}_{sh} = 2\pi nT \quad (\text{kW}) \quad (2–26)$$

where $n$ is the number of revolutions per unit time.
EXAMPLE 2–7  Power Transmission by the Shaft of a Car

Determine the power transmitted through the shaft of a car when the torque applied is 200 N·m and the shaft rotates at a rate of 4000 revolutions per minute (rpm).

Solution  The torque and the rpm for a car engine are given. The power transmitted is to be determined.

Analysis  A sketch of the car is given in Fig. 2–31. The shaft power is determined directly from

\[ \dot{W}_{sh} = 2\pi nT = \left(2\pi \right) \left( \frac{4000 \text{ min}}{1 \text{ min}} \right) \left( 200 \text{ N·m} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{ min}}{60 \text{ s}} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{ kJ}}{1000 \text{ N·m}} \right) \]

\[ = 83.8 \text{ kW} \quad \text{(or 112 hp)} \]

Discussion  Note that power transmitted by a shaft is proportional to torque and the rotational speed.

Spring Work

It is common knowledge that when a force is applied on a spring, the length of the spring changes (Fig. 2–32). When the length of the spring changes by a differential amount \( dx \) under the influence of a force \( F \), the work done is

\[ \delta W_{spring} = F \, dx \quad \text{(2–27)} \]

To determine the total spring work, we need to know a functional relationship between \( F \) and \( x \). For linear elastic springs, the displacement \( x \) is proportional to the force applied (Fig. 2–33). That is,

\[ F = kx \quad \text{(kN)} \quad \text{(2–28)} \]

where \( k \) is the spring constant and has the unit kN/m. The displacement \( x \) is measured from the undisturbed position of the spring (that is, \( x = 0 \) when \( F = 0 \)). Substituting Eq. 2–28 into Eq. 2–27 and integrating yield

\[ W_{spring} = \frac{1}{2}k(x_2^2 - x_1^2) \quad \text{(kJ)} \quad \text{(2–29)} \]

where \( x_1 \) and \( x_2 \) are the initial and the final displacements of the spring, respectively, measured from the undisturbed position of the spring.

There are many other forms of mechanical work. Next we introduce some of them briefly.

Work Done on Elastic Solid Bars

Solids are often modeled as linear springs because under the action of a force they contract or elongate, as shown in Fig. 2–34, and when the force is lifted, they return to their original lengths, like a spring. This is true as long as the force is in the elastic range, that is, not large enough to cause permanent (plastic) deformations. Therefore, the equations given for a linear spring can also be used for elastic solid bars. Alternately, we can determine
the work associated with the expansion or contraction of an elastic solid bar by replacing pressure $P$ by its counterpart in solids, normal stress $\sigma_n = F/A$, in the work expression:

$$W_{\text{elastic}} = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} F \, dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \sigma_n A \, dx \quad (\text{kJ})$$

(2–30)

where $A$ is the cross-sectional area of the bar. Note that the normal stress has pressure units.

### Work Associated with the Stretching of a Liquid Film

Consider a liquid film such as soap film suspended on a wire frame (Fig. 2–35). We know from experience that it will take some force to stretch this film by the movable portion of the wire frame. This force is used to overcome the microscopic forces between molecules at the liquid–air interfaces. These microscopic forces are perpendicular to any line in the surface, and the force generated by these forces per unit length is called the surface tension $\sigma_s$, whose unit is N/m. Therefore, the work associated with the stretching of a film is also called surface tension work. It is determined from

$$W_{\text{surface}} = \int_{A_1}^{A_2} \sigma_s \, dA \quad (\text{kJ})$$

(2–31)

where $dA = 2b \, dx$ is the change in the surface area of the film. The factor 2 is due to the fact that the film has two surfaces in contact with air. The force acting on the movable wire as a result of surface tension effects is $F = 2b\sigma_s$, where $\sigma_s$ is the surface tension force per unit length.

### Work Done to Raise or to Accelerate a Body

When a body is raised in a gravitational field, its potential energy increases. Likewise, when a body is accelerated, its kinetic energy increases. The conservation of energy principle requires that an equivalent amount of energy must be transferred to the body being raised or accelerated. Remember that energy can be transferred to a given mass by heat and work, and the energy transferred in this case obviously is not heat since it is not driven by a temperature difference. Therefore, it must be work. Then we conclude that (1) the work transfer needed to raise a body is equal to the change in the potential energy of the body, and (2) the work transfer needed to accelerate a body is equal to the change in the kinetic energy of the body (Fig. 2–36). Similarly, the potential or kinetic energy of a body represents the work that can be obtained from the body as it is lowered to the reference level or decelerated to zero velocity.

This discussion together with the consideration for friction and other losses form the basis for determining the required power rating of motors used to drive devices such as elevators, escalators, conveyor belts, and ski lifts. It also plays a primary role in the design of automotive and aircraft engines, and in the determination of the amount of hydroelectric power that can be produced from a given water reservoir, which is simply the potential energy of the water relative to the location of the hydraulic turbine.
**EXAMPLE 2–8  Power Needs of a Car to Climb a Hill**

Consider a 1200-kg car cruising steadily on a level road at 90 km/h. Now the car starts climbing a hill that is sloped 30° from the horizontal (Fig. 2–37). If the velocity of the car is to remain constant during climbing, determine the additional power that must be delivered by the engine.

**Solution** A car is to climb a hill while maintaining a constant velocity. The additional power needed is to be determined.

**Analysis** The additional power required is simply the work that needs to be done per unit time to raise the elevation of the car, which is equal to the change in the potential energy of the car per unit time:

\[ W_e = mg \Delta z/\Delta t = mg V_{\text{vertical}} \]

\[ = (1200 \text{ kg})(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)(90 \text{ km/h})(\sin 30°) \left( \frac{1 \text{ m/s}}{3.6 \text{ km/h}} \right) \left( \frac{1 \text{ kJ/kg}}{1000 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} \right) \]

\[ = 147 \text{ kJ/s} = 147 \text{ kW} \quad \text{(or 197 hp)} \]

**Discussion** Note that the car engine will have to produce almost 200 hp of additional power while climbing the hill if the car is to maintain its velocity.

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**EXAMPLE 2–9  Power Needs of a Car to Accelerate**

Determine the power required to accelerate a 900-kg car shown in Fig. 2–38 from rest to a velocity of 80 km/h in 20 s on a level road.

**Solution** The power required to accelerate a car to a specified velocity is to be determined.

**Analysis** The work needed to accelerate a body is simply the change in the kinetic energy of the body,

\[ W_a = \frac{1}{2} m (V_f^2 - V_i^2) = \frac{1}{2} (900 \text{ kg}) \left( \frac{80,000 \text{ m}}{3600 \text{ s}} \right)^2 - 0^2 \left( \frac{1 \text{ kJ/kg}}{1000 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} \right) \]

\[ = 222 \text{ kJ} \]

The average power is determined from

\[ \dot{W}_a = \frac{W_a}{\Delta t} = \frac{222 \text{ kJ}}{20 \text{ s}} = 11.1 \text{ kW} \quad \text{(or 14.9 hp)} \]

**Discussion** This is in addition to the power required to overcome friction, rolling resistance, and other imperfections.

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**Nonmechanical Forms of Work**

The treatment in Section 2–5 represents a fairly comprehensive coverage of mechanical forms of work except the moving boundary work that is covered in Chap. 4. Some work modes encountered in practice are not mechanical in nature. However, these nonmechanical work modes can be treated in a similar manner by identifying a generalized force \( F \) acting in...
the direction of a generalized displacement $x$. Then the work associated with the differential displacement under the influence of this force is determined from $\delta W = Fdx$.

Some examples of nonmechanical work modes are electrical work, where the generalized force is the voltage (the electrical potential) and the generalized displacement is the electrical charge, as discussed earlier; magnetic work, where the generalized force is the magnetic field strength and the generalized displacement is the total magnetic dipole moment; and electrical polarization work, where the generalized force is the electric field strength and the generalized displacement is the polarization of the medium (the sum of the electric dipole rotation moments of the molecules). Detailed consideration of these and other nonmechanical work modes can be found in specialized books on these topics.

2-6  THE FIRST LAW OF THERMODYNAMICS

So far, we have considered various forms of energy such as heat $Q$, work $W$, and total energy $E$ individually, and no attempt is made to relate them to each other during a process. The first law of thermodynamics, also known as the conservation of energy principle, provides a sound basis for studying the relationships among the various forms of energy and energy interactions. Based on experimental observations, the first law of thermodynamics states that energy can be neither created nor destroyed during a process; it can only change forms. Therefore, every bit of energy should be accounted for during a process.

We all know that a rock at some elevation possesses some potential energy, and part of this potential energy is converted to kinetic energy as the rock falls (Fig. 2-39). Experimental data show that the decrease in potential energy ($mg\Delta z$) exactly equals the increase in kinetic energy ($m(V_2^2 - V_1^2)/2$) when the air resistance is negligible, thus confirming the conservation of energy principle for mechanical energy.

Consider a system undergoing a series of adiabatic processes from a specified state 1 to another specified state 2. Being adiabatic, these processes obviously cannot involve any heat transfer, but they may involve several kinds of work interactions. Careful measurements during these experiments indicate the following: For all adiabatic processes between two specified states of a closed system, the net work done is the same regardless of the nature of the closed system and the details of the process. Considering that there are an infinite number of ways to perform work interactions under adiabatic conditions, this statement appears to be very powerful, with a potential for far-reaching implications. This statement, which is largely based on the experiments of Joule in the first half of the nineteenth century, cannot be drawn from any other known physical principle and is recognized as a fundamental principle. This principle is called the first law of thermodynamics or just the first law.

A major consequence of the first law is the existence and the definition of the property total energy $E$. Considering that the net work is the same for all adiabatic processes of a closed system between two specified states, the value of the net work must depend on the end states of the system only, and thus it must correspond to a change in a property of the system. This property
is the total energy. Note that the first law makes no reference to the value of the total energy of a closed system at a state. It simply states that the change in the total energy during an adiabatic process must be equal to the net work done. Therefore, any convenient arbitrary value can be assigned to total energy at a specified state to serve as a reference point.

Implicit in the first law statement is the conservation of energy. Although the essence of the first law is the existence of the property total energy, the first law is often viewed as a statement of the conservation of energy principle. Next, we develop the first law or the conservation of energy relation with the help of some familiar examples using intuitive arguments.

First, we consider some processes that involve heat transfer but no work interactions. The potato baked in the oven is a good example for this case (Fig. 2–40). As a result of heat transfer to the potato, the energy of the potato will increase. If we disregard any mass transfer (moisture loss from the potato), the increase in the total energy of the potato becomes equal to the amount of heat transfer. That is, if 5 kJ of heat is transferred to the potato, the energy increase of the potato will also be 5 kJ.

As another example, consider the heating of water in a pan on top of a range (Fig. 2–41). If 15 kJ of heat is transferred to the water from the heating element and 3 kJ of it is lost from the water to the surrounding air, the increase in energy of the water will be equal to the net heat transfer to water, which is 12 kJ.

Now consider a well-insulated (i.e., adiabatic) room heated by an electric heater as our system (Fig. 2–42). As a result of electrical work done, the energy of the system will increase. Since the system is adiabatic and cannot have any heat transfer to or from the surroundings ($Q = 0$), the conservation of energy principle dictates that the electrical work done on the system must equal the increase in energy of the system.

Next, let us replace the electric heater with a paddle wheel (Fig. 2–43). As a result of the stirring process, the energy of the system will increase. Again, since there is no heat interaction between the system and its surroundings ($Q = 0$), the shaft work done on the system must show up as an increase in the energy of the system.

Many of you have probably noticed that the temperature of air rises when it is compressed (Fig. 2–44). This is because energy is transferred to the air in the form of boundary work. In the absence of any heat transfer ($Q = 0$), the entire boundary work will be stored in the air as part of its total energy. The conservation of energy principle again requires that the increase in the energy of the system be equal to the boundary work done on the system.

We can extend these discussions to systems that involve various heat and work interactions simultaneously. For example, if a system gains 12 kJ of heat during a process while 6 kJ of work is done on it, the increase in the energy of the system during that process is 18 kJ (Fig. 2–45). That is, the change in the energy of a system during a process is simply equal to the net energy transfer to (or from) the system.

**Energy Balance**

In the light of the preceding discussions, the conservation of energy principle can be expressed as follows: The net change (increase or decrease) in the total energy of the system during a process is equal to the difference
between the total energy entering and the total energy leaving the system during that process. That is,

\[
\frac{\text{Total energy entering the system}}{\text{Total energy leaving the system}} = \frac{\text{Change in the total energy of the system}}{
\]

or

\[
E_{\text{in}} - E_{\text{out}} = \Delta E_{\text{system}}
\]

This relation is often referred to as the energy balance and is applicable to any kind of system undergoing any kind of process. The successful use of this relation to solve engineering problems depends on understanding the various forms of energy and recognizing the forms of energy transfer.

**Energy Change of a System, \( \Delta E_{\text{system}} \)**

The determination of the energy change of a system during a process involves the evaluation of the energy of the system at the beginning and at the end of the process, and taking their difference. That is,

\[
\text{Energy change} = \text{Energy at final state} - \text{Energy at initial state}
\]

or

\[
\Delta E_{\text{system}} = E_{\text{final}} - E_{\text{initial}} = E_2 - E_1 \tag{2–32}
\]

Note that energy is a property, and the value of a property does not change unless the state of the system changes. Therefore, the energy change of a system is zero if the state of the system does not change during the process. Also, energy can exist in numerous forms such as internal (sensible, latent, chemical, and nuclear), kinetic, potential, electric, and magnetic, and their sum constitutes the total energy \( E \) of a system. In the absence of electric, magnetic, and surface tension effects (i.e., for simple compressible systems), the change in the total energy of a system during a process is the sum of the changes in its internal, kinetic, and potential energies and can be expressed as

\[
\Delta E = \Delta U + \Delta KE + \Delta PE \tag{2–33}
\]

where

\[
\Delta U = m(u_2 - u_1)
\]

\[
\Delta KE = \frac{1}{2} m(V_2^2 - V_1^2)
\]

\[
\Delta PE = mg(z_2 - z_1)
\]

When the initial and final states are specified, the values of the specific internal energies \( u_1 \) and \( u_2 \) can be determined directly from the property tables or thermodynamic property relations.

Most systems encountered in practice are stationary, that is, they do not involve any changes in their velocity or elevation during a process (Fig. 2–46). Thus, for stationary systems, the changes in kinetic and potential energies are zero (that is, \( \Delta KE = \Delta PE = 0 \)), and the total energy change relation in Eq. 2–33 reduces to \( \Delta E = \Delta U \) for such systems. Also, the energy of a system
During a process will change even if only one form of its energy changes while the other forms of energy remain unchanged.

**Mechanisms of Energy Transfer, $E_{in}$ and $E_{out}$**

Energy can be transferred to or from a system in three forms: heat, work, and mass flow. Energy interactions are recognized at the system boundary as they cross it, and they represent the energy gained or lost by a system during a process. The only two forms of energy interactions associated with a fixed mass or closed system are heat transfer and work.

1. **Heat Transfer, $Q$** Heat transfer to a system (heat gain) increases the energy of the molecules and thus the internal energy of the system, and heat transfer from a system (heat loss) decreases it since the energy transferred out as heat comes from the energy of the molecules of the system.

2. **Work Transfer, $W$** An energy interaction that is not caused by a temperature difference between a system and its surroundings is work. A rising piston, a rotating shaft, and an electrical wire crossing the system boundaries are all associated with work interactions. Work transfer to a system (i.e., work done on a system) increases the energy of the system, and work transfer from a system (i.e., work done by the system) decreases it since the energy transferred out as work comes from the energy contained in the system. Car engines and hydraulic, steam, or gas turbines produce work while compressors, pumps, and mixers consume work.

3. **Mass Flow, $m$** Mass flow in and out of the system serves as an additional mechanism of energy transfer. When mass enters a system, the energy of the system increases because mass carries energy with it (in fact, mass is energy). Likewise, when some mass leaves the system, the energy contained within the system decreases because the leaving mass takes out some energy with it. For example, when some hot water is taken out of a water heater and is replaced by the same amount of cold water, the energy content of the hot-water tank (the control volume) decreases as a result of this mass interaction (Fig. 2–47).

Noting that energy can be transferred in the forms of heat, work, and mass, and that the net transfer of a quantity is equal to the difference between the amounts transferred in and out, the energy balance can be written more explicitly as

$$E_{in} - E_{out} = (Q_{in} - Q_{out}) + (W_{in} - W_{out}) + (E_{mass,in} - E_{mass,out}) = \Delta E_{system} \quad (2-34)$$

where the subscripts “in” and “out” denote quantities that enter and leave the system, respectively. All six quantities on the right side of the equation represent “amounts,” and thus they are positive quantities. The direction of any energy transfer is described by the subscripts “in” and “out.”

The heat transfer $Q$ is zero for adiabatic systems, the work transfer $W$ is zero for systems that involve no work interactions, and the energy transport with mass $E_{mass}$ is zero for systems that involve no mass flow across their boundaries (i.e., closed systems).
Energy balance for any system undergoing any kind of process can be expressed more compactly as

$$E_{in} - E_{out} = \Delta E_{system} \quad (kJ) \quad (2-35)$$

or, in the rate form, as

$$\dot{E}_{in} - \dot{E}_{out} = \frac{dE_{system}}{dt} \quad (kJ/s) \quad (2-36)$$

For constant rates, the total quantities during a time interval $\Delta t$ are related to the quantities per unit time as

$$Q = \dot{Q} \Delta t, \quad W = \dot{W} \Delta t, \quad \Delta E = (dE/dt) \Delta t \quad (kJ) \quad (2-37)$$

The energy balance can be expressed on a per unit mass basis as

$$e_{in} - e_{out} = \Delta e_{system} \quad (kJ/kg) \quad (2-38)$$

which is obtained by dividing all the quantities in Eq. 2–35 by the mass $m$ of the system. Energy balance can also be expressed in the differential form as

$$\delta E_{in} - \delta E_{out} = dE_{system} \quad \text{or} \quad \delta e_{in} - \delta e_{out} = de_{system} \quad (2-39)$$

For a closed system undergoing a cycle, the initial and final states are identical, and thus $\Delta E_{system} = E_2 - E_1 = 0$. Then the energy balance for a cycle simplifies to $E_{in} - E_{out} = 0$ or $E_{in} = E_{out}$. Noting that a closed system does not involve any mass flow across its boundaries, the energy balance for a cycle can be expressed in terms of heat and work interactions as

$$W_{net} = Q_{net} \quad \text{or} \quad W_{net} = \dot{Q}_{net} \quad (kJ) \quad (2-40)$$

That is, the net work output during a cycle is equal to net heat input (Fig. 2–48).

**EXAMPLE 2–10 Cooling of a Hot Fluid in a Tank**

A rigid tank contains a hot fluid that is cooled while being stirred by a paddle wheel. Initially, the internal energy of the fluid is 800 kJ. During the cooling process, the fluid loses 500 kJ of heat, and the paddle wheel does 100 kJ of work on the fluid. Determine the final internal energy of the fluid. Neglect the energy stored in the paddle wheel.

**Solution** A fluid in a rigid tank looses heat while being stirred. The final internal energy of the fluid is to be determined.

**Assumptions** 1 The tank is stationary and thus the kinetic and potential energy changes are zero, $\Delta KE = \Delta PE = 0$. Therefore, $\Delta E = \Delta U$ and internal energy is the only form of the system's energy that may change during this process. 2 Energy stored in the paddle wheel is negligible.

**Analysis** Take the contents of the tank as the system (Fig. 2–49). This is a closed system since no mass crosses the boundary during the process. We observe that the volume of a rigid tank is constant, and thus there is no moving boundary work. Also, heat is lost from the system and shaft work is done on the system. Applying the energy balance on the system gives

$$W_{sh, in} = 100 \text{ kJ}$$

$$U_1 = 800 \text{ kJ}$$

$$U_2 = ?$$

$$Q_{out} = 500 \text{ kJ}$$
Net energy transfer Change in internal, kinetic, by heat, work, and mass potential, etc., energies

\[ E_{\text{in}} - E_{\text{out}} = \Delta E_{\text{system}} \]

Therefore, the final internal energy of the system is 400 kJ.

**EXAMPLE 2–11 Acceleration of Air by a Fan**

A fan that consumes 20 W of electric power when operating is claimed to discharge air from a ventilated room at a rate of 1.0 kg/s at a discharge velocity of 8 m/s (Fig. 2–50). Determine if this claim is reasonable.

**Solution** A fan is claimed to increase the velocity of air to a specified value while consuming electric power at a specified rate. The validity of this claim is to be investigated.

**Assumptions** The ventilating room is relatively calm, and air velocity in it is negligible.

**Analysis** First, let’s examine the energy conversions involved: The motor of the fan converts part of the electrical power it consumes to mechanical (shaft) power, which is used to rotate the fan blades in air. The blades are shaped such that they impart a large fraction of the mechanical power of the shaft to air by mobilizing it. In the limiting ideal case of no losses (no conversion of electrical and mechanical energy to thermal energy) in steady operation, the electric power input will be equal to the rate of increase of the kinetic energy of air. Therefore, for a control volume that encloses the fan-motor unit, the energy balance can be written as

\[ \dot{E}_{\text{in}} - \dot{E}_{\text{out}} = \frac{dE_{\text{system}}}{dt} = 0 \rightarrow \dot{E}_{\text{in}} = \dot{E}_{\text{out}} \]

Solving for \( V_{\text{out}} \) and substituting gives the maximum air outlet velocity to be

\[ V_{\text{out}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \dot{W}_{\text{elec, in}}}{m_{\text{air}}}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 (20 \text{ J/s})}{1 \text{ kg/s} \times \left( \frac{1 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2}{1 \text{ J/kg}} \right)}} = 6.3 \text{ m/s} \]

which is less than 8 m/s. Therefore, the claim is **false**.

**Discussion** The conservation of energy principle requires the energy to be preserved as it is converted from one form to another, and it does not allow any energy to be created or destroyed during a process. From the first law point of view, there is nothing wrong with the conversion of the entire electrical energy into kinetic energy. Therefore, the first law has no objection to air velocity reaching 6.3 m/s—but this is the upper limit. Any claim of higher velocity is in violation of the first law, and thus impossible. In reality, the air velocity will be considerably lower than 6.3 m/s because of the losses associated with the conversion of electrical energy to mechanical shaft energy, and the conversion of mechanical shaft energy to kinetic energy or air.
EXAMPLE 2–12 Heating Effect of a Fan

A room is initially at the outdoor temperature of 25°C. Now a large fan that consumes 200 W of electricity when running is turned on (Fig. 2–51). The heat transfer rate between the room and the outdoor air is given as

\[ Q = UA(T_i - T_o) \]

where \( U = 6 \text{ W/m}^2\cdot\text{°C} \) is the overall heat transfer coefficient, \( A = 30 \text{ m}^2 \) is the exposed surface area of the room, and \( T_i \) and \( T_o \) are the indoor and outdoor air temperatures, respectively. Determine the indoor air temperature when steady operating conditions are established.

**Solution** A large fan is turned on and kept on in a room that looses heat to the outdoors. The indoor air temperature is to be determined when steady operation is reached.

**Assumptions** 1 Heat transfer through the floor is negligible. 2 There are no other energy interactions involved.

**Analysis** The electricity consumed by the fan is energy input for the room, and thus the room gains energy at a rate of 200 W. As a result, the room air temperature tends to rise. But as the room air temperature rises, the rate of heat loss from the room increases until the rate of heat loss equals the electric power consumption. At that point, the temperature of the room air, and thus the energy content of the room, remains constant, and the conservation of energy for the room becomes

\[
\frac{\dot{E}_{\text{in}} - \dot{E}_{\text{out}}}{\text{Rate of net energy transfer}} = \frac{dE_{\text{system}}}{dt} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \dot{E}_{\text{in}} = \dot{E}_{\text{out}}
\]

Substituting,

\[
\dot{W}_{\text{elect.in}} = \dot{Q}_{\text{out}} = UA(T_i - T_o)
\]

It gives

\[
200 \text{ W} = (6 \text{ W/m}^2\cdot\text{°C})(30 \text{ m}^2)(T_i - 25\text{°C})
\]

Therefore, the room air temperature will remain constant after it reaches 26.1°C.

**Discussion** Note that a 200-W fan heats a room just like a 200-W resistance heater. In the case of a fan, the motor converts part of the electric energy it draws to mechanical energy in the form of a rotating shaft while the remaining part is dissipated as heat to the room air because of the motor inefficiency (no motor converts 100 percent of the electric energy it receives to mechanical energy, although some large motors come close with a conversion efficiency of over 97 percent). Part of the mechanical energy of the shaft is converted to kinetic energy of air through the blades, which is then converted to thermal energy as air molecules slow down because of friction. At the end, the entire electric energy drawn by the fan motor is converted to thermal energy of air, which manifests itself as a rise in temperature.

EXAMPLE 2–13 Annual Lighting Cost of a Classroom

The lighting needs of a classroom are met by 30 fluorescent lamps, each consuming 80 W of electricity (Fig. 2–52). The lights in the classroom are kept on for 12 hours a day and 250 days a year. For a unit electricity cost of
7 cents per kWh, determine annual energy cost of lighting for this classroom. Also, discuss the effect of lighting on the heating and air-conditioning requirements of the room.

**Solution**  The lighting of a classroom by fluorescent lamps is considered. The annual electricity cost of lighting for this classroom is to be determined, and the lighting's effect on the heating and air-conditioning requirements is to be discussed.

**Assumptions**  The effect of voltage fluctuations is negligible so that each fluorescent lamp consumes its rated power.

**Analysis**  The electric power consumed by the lamps when all are on and the number of hours they are kept on per year are

\[
\text{Lighting power} = (\text{Power consumed per lamp}) \times (\text{No. of lamps})
\]

\[
= (80 \text{ W/lamp})(30 \text{ lamps})
\]

\[
= 2400 \text{ W} = 2.4 \text{ kW}
\]

Operating hours = (12 h/day)(250 days/year) = 3000 h/year

Then the amount and cost of electricity used per year become

\[
\text{Lighting energy} = (\text{Lighting power})(\text{Operating hours})
\]

\[
= (2.4 \text{ kW})(3000 \text{ h/year}) = 7200 \text{ kWh/year}
\]

\[
\text{Lighting cost} = (\text{Lighting energy})(\text{Unit cost})
\]

\[
= (7200 \text{ kWh/year})(\$0.07/\text{kWh}) = \$504/\text{year}
\]

Light is absorbed by the surfaces it strikes and is converted to thermal energy. Disregarding the light that escapes through the windows, the entire 2.4 kW of electric power consumed by the lamps eventually becomes part of thermal energy of the classroom. Therefore, the lighting system in this room reduces the heating requirements by 2.4 kW, but increases the air-conditioning load by 2.4 kW.

**Discussion**  Note that the annual lighting cost of this classroom alone is over $500. This shows the importance of energy conservation measures. If incandescent light bulbs were used instead of fluorescent tubes, the lighting costs would be four times as much since incandescent lamps use four times as much power for the same amount of light produced.

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**EXAMPLE 2–14**  Conservation of Energy for an Oscillating Steel Ball

The motion of a steel ball in a hemispherical bowl of radius h shown in Fig. 2–53 is to be analyzed. The ball is initially held at the highest location at point A, and then it is released. Obtain relations for the conservation of energy of the ball for the cases of frictionless and actual motions.

**Solution**  A steel ball is released in a bowl. Relations for the energy balance are to be obtained.

**Assumptions**  The motion is frictionless, and thus friction between the ball, the bowl, and the air is negligible.

**Analysis**  When the ball is released, it accelerates under the influence of gravity, reaches a maximum velocity (and minimum elevation) at point B at
the bottom of the bowl, and moves up toward point C on the opposite side. In the ideal case of frictionless motion, the ball will oscillate between points A and C. The actual motion involves the conversion of the kinetic and potential energies of the ball to each other, together with overcoming resistance to motion due to friction (doing frictional work). The general energy balance for any system undergoing any process is

\[ E_{\text{in}} - E_{\text{out}} = \Delta E_{\text{system}} \]

by heat, work, and mass

Then the energy balance for the ball for a process from point 1 to point 2 becomes

\[ -w_{\text{friction}} = (ke_2 + pe_2) - (ke_1 + pe_1) \]

or

\[ \frac{V^2_1}{2} + gz_1 = \frac{V^2_2}{2} + gz_2 + w_{\text{friction}} \]

since there is no energy transfer by heat or mass and no change in the internal energy of the ball (the heat generated by frictional heating is dissipated to the surrounding air). The frictional work term \( w_{\text{friction}} \) is often expressed as \( \Delta E \) to represent the loss (conversion) of mechanical energy into thermal energy.

For the idealized case of frictionless motion, the last relation reduces to

\[ \frac{V^2_1}{2} + gz_1 = \frac{V^2_2}{2} + gz_2 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{V^2_1}{2} + gz = C = \text{constant} \]

where the value of the constant is \( C = gh \). That is, when the frictional effects are negligible, the sum of the kinetic and potential energies of the ball remains constant.

Discussion: This is certainly a more intuitive and convenient form of the conservation of energy equation for this and other similar processes such as the swinging motion of the pendulum of a wall clock.

**2–7 \quad ENERGY CONVERSION EFFICIENCIES**

Efficiency is one of the most frequently used terms in thermodynamics, and it indicates how well an energy conversion or transfer process is accomplished. Efficiency is also one of the most frequently misused terms in thermodynamics and a source of misunderstandings. This is because efficiency is often used without being properly defined first. Next, we will clarify this further and define some efficiencies commonly used in practice.

Performance or efficiency, in general, can be expressed in terms of the desired output and the required input as (Fig. 2–54)

\[ \text{Performance} = \frac{\text{Desired output}}{\text{Required input}} \quad (2-41) \]

If you are shopping for a water heater, a knowledgeable salesperson will tell you that the efficiency of a conventional electric water heater is about 90 percent (Fig. 2–55). You may find this confusing, since the heating elements of electric water heaters are resistance heaters, and the efficiency
of all resistance heaters is 100 percent as they convert all the electrical energy they consume into thermal energy. A knowledgeable salesperson will clarify this by explaining that the heat losses from the hot-water tank to the surrounding air amount to 10 percent of the electrical energy consumed, and the **efficiency of a water heater** is defined as the ratio of the energy delivered to the house by hot water to the energy supplied to the water heater. A clever salesperson may even talk you into buying a more expensive water heater with thicker insulation that has an efficiency of 94 percent. If you are a knowledgeable consumer and have access to natural gas, you will probably purchase a gas water heater whose efficiency is only 55 percent since a gas unit costs about the same as an electric unit to purchase and install, but the annual energy cost of a gas unit will be much less than that of an electric unit.

Perhaps you are wondering how the efficiency for a gas water heater is defined, and why it is much lower than the efficiency of an electric heater. As a general rule, the efficiency of equipment that involves the combustion of a fuel is based on the **heating value of the fuel**, which is the amount of heat released when a unit amount of fuel at room temperature is completely burned and the combustion products are cooled to the room temperature (Fig. 2–56). Then the performance of combustion equipment can be characterized by **combustion efficiency**, defined as

\[
\eta_{\text{combustion}} = \frac{Q}{HV} = \frac{\text{Amount of heat released during combustion}}{\text{Heating value of the fuel burned}} \tag{2-42}
\]

A combustion efficiency of 100 percent indicates that the fuel is burned completely and the stack gases leave the combustion chamber at room temperature, and thus the amount of heat released during a combustion process is equal to the heating value of the fuel.

Most fuels contain hydrogen, which forms water when burned, and the heating value of a fuel will be different, depending on whether the water in combustion products is in the liquid or vapor form. The heating value is called the **lower heating value**, or LHV, when the water leaves as a vapor, and the **higher heating value**, or HHV, when the water in the combustion gases is completely condensed and thus the heat of vaporization is also recovered. The difference between these two heating values is equal to the product of the amount of water and the enthalpy of vaporization of water at room temperature. For example, the lower and higher heating values of gasoline are 44,000 kJ/kg and 47,300 kJ/kg, respectively. An efficiency definition should make it clear whether it is based on the higher or lower heating value of the fuel. Efficiencies of cars and jet engines are normally based on **lower heating values** since water normally leaves as a vapor in the exhaust gases, and it is not practical to try to recuperate the heat of vaporization. Efficiencies of furnaces, on the other hand, are based on **higher heating values**.

The efficiency of space heating systems of residential and commercial buildings is usually expressed in terms of the **annual fuel utilization efficiency**, or AFUE, which accounts for the combustion efficiency as well as other losses such as heat losses to unheated areas and start-up and cool-down losses. The AFUE of most new heating systems is about 85 percent,
although the AFUE of some old heating systems is under 60 percent. The AFUE of some new high-efficiency furnaces exceeds 96 percent, but the high cost of such furnaces cannot be justified for locations with mild to moderate winters. Such high efficiencies are achieved by reclaiming most of the heat in the flue gases, condensing the water vapor, and discharging the flue gases at temperatures as low as 38°C (or 100°F) instead of about 200°C (or 400°F) for the conventional models.

For car engines, the work output is understood to be the power delivered by the crankshaft. But for power plants, the work output can be the mechanical power at the turbine exit, or the electrical power output of the generator.

A generator is a device that converts mechanical energy to electrical energy, and the effectiveness of a generator is characterized by the generator efficiency, which is the ratio of the electrical power output to the mechanical power input. The thermal efficiency of a power plant, which is of primary interest in thermodynamics, is usually defined as the ratio of the net shaft work output of the turbine to the heat input to the working fluid. The effects of other factors are incorporated by defining an overall efficiency for the power plant as the ratio of the net electrical power output to the rate of fuel energy input. That is,

$$\eta_{\text{overall}} = \eta_{\text{combustion}} \eta_{\text{thermal}} \eta_{\text{generator}} = \frac{W_{\text{net,electric}}}{HHV \times m_{\text{net}}}$$  \hspace{1cm} (2-43)

The overall efficiencies are about 26–30 percent for gasoline automotive engines, 34–40 percent for diesel engines, and up to 60 percent for large power plants.

We are all familiar with the conversion of electrical energy to light by incandescent lightbulbs, fluorescent tubes, and high-intensity discharge lamps. The efficiency for the conversion of electricity to light can be defined as the ratio of the energy converted to light to the electrical energy consumed. For example, common incandescent lightbulbs convert about 5 percent of the electrical energy they consume to light; the rest of the energy consumed is dissipated as heat, which adds to the cooling load of the air conditioner in summer. However, it is more common to express the effectiveness of this conversion process by lighting efficacy, which is defined as the amount of light output in lumens per W of electricity consumed.

The efficacy of different lighting systems is given in Table 2–1. Note that a compact fluorescent lightbulb produces about four times as much light as an incandescent lightbulb per W, and thus a 15-W fluorescent bulb can replace a 60-W incandescent lightbulb (Fig. 2–57). Also, a compact fluorescent bulb lasts about 10,000 h, which is 10 times as long as an incandescent bulb, and it plugs directly into the socket of an incandescent lamp. Therefore, despite their higher initial cost, compact fluorescents reduce the lighting costs considerably through reduced electricity consumption. Sodium-filled high-intensity discharge lamps provide the most efficient lighting, but their use is limited to outdoor use because of their yellowish light.

We can also define efficiency for cooking appliances since they convert electrical or chemical energy to heat for cooking. The efficiency of a cooking appliance can be defined as the ratio of the useful energy transferred to the
food to the energy consumed by the appliance (Fig. 2–58). Electric ranges are more efficient than gas ranges, but it is much cheaper to cook with natural gas than with electricity because of the lower unit cost of natural gas (Table 2–2).

The cooking efficiency depends on user habits as well as the individual appliances. Convection and microwave ovens are inherently more efficient than conventional ovens. On average, convection ovens save about one-third and microwave ovens save about two-thirds of the energy used by conventional ovens. The cooking efficiency can be increased by using the smallest oven for baking, using a pressure cooker, using an electric slow cooker for stews and soups, using the smallest pan that will do the job, using the smaller heating element for small pans on electric ranges, using flat-bottomed pans on electric burners to assure good contact, keeping burner drip pans clean and shiny, defrosting frozen foods in the refrigerator before cooking, avoiding preheating unless it is necessary, keeping the pans covered during cooking, using timers and thermometers to avoid overcooking, using the self-cleaning feature of ovens right after cooking, and keeping inside surfaces of microwave ovens clean.

Using energy-efficient appliances and practicing energy conservation measures help our pocketbooks by reducing our utility bills. It also helps the environment by reducing the amount of pollutants emitted to the atmosphere during the combustion of fuel at home or at the power plants where electricity is generated. The combustion of each therm of natural gas produces 6.4 kg of carbon dioxide, which causes global climate change; 4.7 g of nitrogen oxides and 0.54 g of hydrocarbons, which cause smog; 2.0 g of carbon monoxide, which is toxic; and 0.030 g of sulfur dioxide, which causes acid rain. Each therm of natural gas saved eliminates the emission of these pollutants while saving $0.60 for the average consumer in the United States. Each kWh of electricity conserved saves 0.4 kg of coal and 1.0 kg of CO₂ and 15 g of SO₂ from a coal power plant.

### TABLE 2–2

Energy costs of cooking a casserole with different appliances*


<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Cooking appliance</th>
<th>Cooking temperature</th>
<th>Cooking time</th>
<th>Energy used</th>
<th>Cost of energy</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Electric oven</td>
<td>350°F (177°C)</td>
<td>1 h</td>
<td>2.0 kWh</td>
<td>$0.19</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Convection oven (elect.)</td>
<td>325°F (163°C)</td>
<td>45 min</td>
<td>1.39 kWh</td>
<td>$0.13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gas oven</td>
<td>350°F (177°C)</td>
<td>1 h</td>
<td>0.112 therm</td>
<td>$0.13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Frying pan</td>
<td>420°F (216°C)</td>
<td>1 h</td>
<td>0.9 kWh</td>
<td>$0.09</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Toaster oven</td>
<td>425°F (218°C)</td>
<td>50 min</td>
<td>0.95 kWh</td>
<td>$0.09</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Crockpot</td>
<td>200°F (93°C)</td>
<td>7 h</td>
<td>0.7 kWh</td>
<td>$0.07</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Microwave oven</td>
<td>“High”</td>
<td>15 min</td>
<td>0.36 kWh</td>
<td>$0.03</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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* Assumes a unit cost of $0.095/kWh for electricity and $1.20/therm for gas.
EXAMPLE 2–15 Cost of Cooking with Electric and Gas Ranges

The efficiency of cooking appliances affects the internal heat gain from them since an inefficient appliance consumes a greater amount of energy for the same task, and the excess energy consumed shows up as heat in the living space. The efficiency of open burners is determined to be 73 percent for electric units and 38 percent for gas units (Fig. 2–59). Consider a 2-kW electric burner at a location where the unit costs of electricity and natural gas are $0.09/kWh and $1.20/therm, respectively. Determine the rate of energy consumption by the burner and the unit cost of utilized energy for both electric and gas burners.

Solution The operation of electric and gas ranges is considered. The rate of energy consumption and the unit cost of utilized energy are to be determined.

Analysis The efficiency of the electric heater is given to be 73 percent. Therefore, a burner that consumes 2 kW of electrical energy will supply

$$Q_{utilized} = (\text{Energy input}) \times (\text{Efficiency}) = (2 \text{ kW})(0.73) = 1.46 \text{ kW}$$

of useful energy. The unit cost of utilized energy is inversely proportional to the efficiency, and is determined from

$$\text{Cost of utilized energy} = \frac{\text{Cost of energy input}}{\text{Efficiency}} = \frac{$0.09/\text{kWh}}{0.73} = $0.123/\text{kWh}$$

Noting that the efficiency of a gas burner is 38 percent, the energy input to a gas burner that supplies utilized energy at the same rate (1.46 kW) is

$$Q_{input, gas} = \frac{Q_{utilized}}{\text{Efficiency}} = \frac{1.46 \text{ kW}}{0.38} = 3.84 \text{ kW} \quad (=13,100 \text{ Btu/h})$$

since 1 kW = 3412 Btu/h. Therefore, a gas burner should have a rating of at least 13,100 Btu/h to perform as well as the electric unit.

Noting that 1 therm = 29.3 kWh, the unit cost of utilized energy in the case of a gas burner is determined to be

$$\text{Cost of utilized energy} = \frac{\text{Cost of energy input}}{\text{Efficiency}} = \frac{$1.20/29.3 \text{kWh}}{0.38} = $0.108/\text{kWh}$$

Discussion The cost of utilized gas is less than that of utilized electricity. Therefore, despite its higher efficiency, cooking with an electric burner will cost about 14 percent more compared to a gas burner in this case. This explains why cost-conscious consumers always ask for gas appliances, and it is not wise to use electricity for heating purposes.

Efficiencies of Mechanical and Electrical Devices

The transfer of mechanical energy is usually accomplished by a rotating shaft, and thus mechanical work is often referred to as *shaft work*. A pump or a fan receives shaft work (usually from an electric motor) and transfers it to the fluid as mechanical energy (less frictional losses). A turbine, on the other hand, converts the mechanical energy of a fluid to shaft work. In the absence of any irreversibilities such as friction, mechanical energy can be
converted entirely from one mechanical form to another, and the mechanical efficiency of a device or process can be defined as (Fig. 2–60)

$$\eta_{\text{mech}} = \frac{\text{Mechanical energy output}}{\text{Mechanical energy input}} = \frac{E_{\text{mech, out}}}{E_{\text{mech, in}}} = 1 - \frac{E_{\text{mech, loss}}}{E_{\text{mech, in}}} \quad (2-44)$$

A conversion efficiency of less than 100 percent indicates that conversion is less than perfect and some losses have occurred during conversion. A mechanical efficiency of 97 percent indicates that 3 percent of the mechanical energy input is converted to thermal energy as a result of frictional heating, and this will manifest itself as a slight rise in the temperature of the fluid.

In fluid systems, we are usually interested in increasing the pressure, velocity, and/or elevation of a fluid. This is done by supplying mechanical energy to the fluid by a pump, a fan, or a compressor (we will refer to all of them as pumps). Or we are interested in the reverse process of extracting mechanical energy from a fluid by a turbine and producing mechanical power in the form of a rotating shaft that can drive a generator or any other rotary device. The degree of perfection of the conversion process between the mechanical work supplied or extracted and the mechanical energy of the fluid is expressed by the pump efficiency and turbine efficiency, defined as

$$\eta_{\text{pump}} = \frac{\text{Mechanical energy increase of the fluid}}{\text{Mechanical energy input}} = \frac{\Delta E_{\text{mech, fluid}}}{W_{\text{shaft, in}}} = \frac{W_{\text{pump, u}}}{W_{\text{pump}}} \quad (2-45)$$

where $\Delta E_{\text{mech, fluid}} = E_{\text{mech, out}} - E_{\text{mech, in}}$ is the rate of increase in the mechanical energy of the fluid, which is equivalent to the useful pumping power $W_{\text{pump, u}}$ supplied to the fluid, and

$$\eta_{\text{turbine}} = \frac{\text{Mechanical energy output}}{\text{Mechanical energy decrease of the fluid}} = \frac{\dot{W}_{\text{shaft, out}}}{|\Delta E_{\text{mech, fluid}}|} = \frac{W_{\text{turbine}}}{W_{\text{turbine, r}}} \quad (2-46)$$

where $|\Delta E_{\text{mech, fluid}}| = E_{\text{mech, in}} - E_{\text{mech, out}}$ is the rate of decrease in the mechanical energy of the fluid, which is equivalent to the mechanical power extracted from the fluid by the turbine $\dot{W}_{\text{turbine, r}}$, and we use the absolute value sign to avoid negative values for efficiencies. A pump or turbine efficiency of 100 percent indicates perfect conversion between the shaft work and the mechanical energy of the fluid, and this value can be approached (but never attained) as the frictional effects are minimized.

Electrical energy is commonly converted to rotating mechanical energy by electric motors to drive fans, compressors, robot arms, car starters, and so forth. The effectiveness of this conversion process is characterized by the motor efficiency $\eta_{\text{motor}}$, which is the ratio of the mechanical energy output of the motor to the electrical energy input. The full-load motor efficiencies range from about 35 percent for small motors to over 97 percent for large high-efficiency motors. The difference between the electrical energy consumed and the mechanical energy delivered is dissipated as waste heat.

The mechanical efficiency should not be confused with the motor efficiency and the generator efficiency, which are defined as

$$\eta_{\text{motor}} = \frac{\text{Mechanical power output}}{\text{Electric power input}} = \frac{\dot{W}_{\text{shaft, out}}}{\dot{W}_{\text{elect, in}}} \quad (2-47)$$

$$\eta_{\text{generator}} = \frac{\text{Electric power output}}{\text{Mechanical power input}} = \frac{\dot{W}_{\text{elect, out}}}{\dot{W}_{\text{shaft, in}}} \quad (2-48)$$
A pump is usually packaged together with its motor, and a turbine with its generator. Therefore, we are usually interested in the combined or overall efficiency of pump–motor and turbine–generator combinations (Fig. 2–61), which are defined as

\[
\eta_{\text{turbine-gen}} = \eta_{\text{turbine}} \eta_{\text{generator}} = 0.75 \times 0.97 = 0.73
\]

**FIGURE 2–61** The overall efficiency of a turbine–generator is the product of the efficiency of the turbine and the efficiency of the generator, and represents the fraction of the mechanical power of the fluid converted to electrical power.

and

\[
\eta_{\text{generator}} = \frac{\text{Electric power output}}{\text{Mechanical power input}} = \frac{W_{\text{elect,out}}}{W_{\text{shaft,in}}} \quad (2-48)
\]

Generator: 

\[
\eta_{\text{pump–motor}} = \eta_{\text{pump}} \eta_{\text{motor}} = \frac{W_{\text{pump,out}}}{W_{\text{pump,in}}} \quad (2-49)
\]

\[
\eta_{\text{turbine–gen}} = \eta_{\text{turbine}} \eta_{\text{generator}} = \frac{W_{\text{elect,out}}}{W_{\text{turbine,r}}} \quad (2-50)
\]

All the efficiencies just defined range between 0 and 100 percent. The lower limit of 0 percent corresponds to the conversion of the entire mechanical or electric energy input to thermal energy, and the device in this case functions like a resistance heater. The upper limit of 100 percent corresponds to the case of perfect conversion with no friction or other irreversibilities, and thus no conversion of mechanical or electric energy to thermal energy.

**EXAMPLE 2–16  Power Generation from a Hydroelectric Plant**

Electric power is to be generated by installing a hydraulic turbine–generator at a site 70 m below the free surface of a large water reservoir that can supply water at a rate of 1500 kg/s steadily (Fig. 2–62). If the mechanical power output of the turbine is 800 kW and the electric power generation is 750 kW, determine the turbine efficiency and the combined turbine–generator efficiency of this plant. Neglect losses in the pipes.

**Solution** A hydraulic turbine-generator installed at a large reservoir is to generate electricity. The combined turbine–generator efficiency and the turbine efficiency are to be determined.

**Assumptions** 1 The water elevation in the reservoir remains constant. 2 The mechanical energy of water at the turbine exit is negligible.

**Analysis** We take the free surface of water in the reservoir to be point 1 and the turbine exit to be point 2. We also take the turbine exit as the reference level \((z_2 = 0)\) so that the potential energies at 1 and 2 are \(p_{e1} = g z_1\) and \(p_{e2} = 0\). The flow energy \(P_1/P_0\) at both points is zero since both 1 and 2 are open to the atmosphere \((P_1 = P_2 = P_{\text{atm}})\). Further, the kinetic energy at both points is zero \((k_{e1} = k_{e2} = 0)\) since the water at point 1 is essentially motionless, and the kinetic energy of water at turbine exit is assumed to be negligible. The potential energy of water at point 1 is

\[
p_{e1} = g z_1 = (9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)(70 \text{ m}) \left( \frac{1 \text{ kJ/kg}}{1000 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} \right) = 0.687 \text{ kJ/kg}
\]
Then the rate at which the mechanical energy of water is supplied to the turbine becomes

\[
|\Delta E_{\text{mech,fluid}}| = \dot{m}(e_{\text{mech,in}} - e_{\text{mech,out}}) = \dot{m}(p_{t} - 0) = \dot{m}p_{t}
\]

\[
= (1500 \text{ kg/s})(0.687 \text{ kJ/kg})
\]

\[
= 1031 \text{ kW}
\]

The combined turbine-generator and the turbine efficiency are determined from their definitions to be

\[
\eta_{\text{turbine-gen}} = \frac{\dot{W}_{\text{elect,out}}}{|\Delta E_{\text{mech,fluid}}|} = \frac{750 \text{ kW}}{1031 \text{ kW}} = 0.727 \text{ or } 72.7\%
\]

\[
\eta_{\text{turbine}} = \frac{\dot{W}_{\text{elect,out}}}{|\Delta E_{\text{mech,fluid}}|} = \frac{800 \text{ kW}}{1031 \text{ kW}} = 0.776 \text{ or } 77.6\%
\]

Therefore, the reservoir supplies 1031 kW of mechanical energy to the turbine, which converts 800 kW of it to shaft work that drives the generator, which then generates 750 kW of electric power.

Discussion This problem can also be solved by taking point 1 to be at the turbine inlet, and using flow energy instead of potential energy. It would give the same result since the flow energy at the turbine inlet is equal to the potential energy at the free surface of the reservoir.

EXAMPLE 2–17 Cost Savings Associated with High-Efficiency Motors

A 60-hp electric motor (a motor that delivers 60 hp of shaft power at full load) that has an efficiency of 89.0 percent is worn out and is to be replaced by a 93.2 percent efficient high-efficiency motor (Fig. 2–63). The motor operates 3500 hours a year at full load. Taking the unit cost of electricity to be $0.08/kWh, determine the amount of energy and money saved as a result of installing the high-efficiency motor instead of the standard motor. Also, determine the simple payback period if the purchase prices of the standard and high-efficiency motors are $4520 and $5160, respectively.

Solution A worn-out standard motor is to be replaced by a high-efficiency one. The amount of electrical energy and money saved as well as the simple payback period are to be determined.

Assumptions The load factor of the motor remains constant at 1 (full load) when operating.

Analysis The electric power drawn by each motor and their difference can be expressed as

\[
\dot{W}_{\text{electric, standard}} = \dot{W}_{\text{shaft}}/\eta_{st} = (\text{Rated power})(\text{Load factor})/\eta_{st}
\]

\[
\dot{W}_{\text{electric, efficient}} = \dot{W}_{\text{shaft}}/\eta_{eff} = (\text{Rated power})(\text{Load factor})/\eta_{eff}
\]

Power savings = \dot{W}_{\text{electric, standard}} - \dot{W}_{\text{electric, efficient}}

\[
= (\text{Rated power})(\text{Load factor})(1/\eta_{st} - 1/\eta_{eff})
\]
where $\eta_{st}$ is the efficiency of the standard motor, and $\eta_{eff}$ is the efficiency of the comparable high-efficiency motor. Then the annual energy and cost savings associated with the installation of the high-efficiency motor become

\[
\text{Energy savings} = (\text{Power savings})(\text{Operating hours}) = (\text{Rated power})(\text{Operating hours})(\text{Load factor})(1/\eta_{st} - 1/\eta_{eff}) = (60 \text{ hp})(0.7457 \text{ kW/hp})(3500 \text{ h/year})(1)(1/0.89 - 1/0.93.2) = 7929 \text{ kWh/year}
\]

\[
\text{Cost savings} = (\text{Energy savings})(\text{Unit cost of energy}) = (7929 \text{ kWh/year})(\$0.08/\text{kWh}) = \$634/\text{year}
\]

Also,

\[
\text{Excess initial cost} = \text{Purchase price differential} = \$5160 - \$4520 = \$640
\]

This gives a simple payback period of

\[
\text{Simple payback period} = \frac{\text{Excess initial cost}}{\text{Annual cost savings}} = \frac{\$640}{\$634/\text{year}} = 1.01 \text{ year}
\]

**Discussion** Note that the high-efficiency motor pays for its price differential within about one year from the electrical energy it saves. Considering that the service life of electric motors is several years, the purchase of the higher efficiency motor is definitely indicated in this case.

2–8 = ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

The conversion of energy from one form to another often affects the environment and the air we breathe in many ways, and thus the study of energy is not complete without considering its impact on the environment (Fig. 2–64). Fossil fuels such as coal, oil, and natural gas have been powering the industrial development and the amenities of modern life that we enjoy since the 1700s, but this has not been without any undesirable side effects. From the soil we farm and the water we drink to the air we breathe, the environment has been paying a heavy toll for it. Pollutants emitted during the combustion of fossil fuels are responsible for smog, acid rain, global warming, and climate change. The environmental pollution has reached such high levels that it became a serious threat to vegetation, wild life, and human health. Air pollution has been the cause of numerous health problems including asthma and cancer. It is estimated that over 60,000 people in the United States alone die each year due to heart and lung diseases related to air pollution.

Hundreds of elements and compounds such as benzene and formaldehyde are known to be emitted during the combustion of coal, oil, natural gas, and wood in electric power plants, engines of vehicles, furnaces, and even fireplaces. Some compounds are added to liquid fuels for various reasons (such as MTBE to raise the octane number of the fuel and also to oxygenate the fuel in winter months to reduce urban smog). The largest source of air pollution is the motor vehicles, and the pollutants released by the vehicles are...
usually grouped as hydrocarbons (HC), nitrogen oxides (NO\textsubscript{x}), and carbon monoxide (CO) (Fig. 2–65). The HC emissions are a large component of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) emissions, and the two terms are generally used interchangeably for motor vehicle emissions. A significant portion of the VOC or HC emissions are caused by the evaporation of fuels during refueling or spillage during spitback or by evaporation from gas tanks with faulty caps that do not close tightly. The solvents, propellants, and household cleaning products that contain benzene, butane, or other HC products are also significant sources of HC emissions.

The increase of environmental pollution at alarming rates and the rising awareness of its dangers made it necessary to control it by legislation and international treaties. In the United States, the Clean Air Act of 1970 (whose passage was aided by the 14-day smog alert in Washington that year) set limits on pollutants emitted by large plants and vehicles. These early standards focused on emissions of hydrocarbons, nitrogen oxides, and carbon monoxide. The new cars were required to have catalytic converters in their exhaust systems to reduce HC and CO emissions. As a side benefit, the removal of lead from gasoline to permit the use of catalytic converters led to a significant reduction in toxic lead emissions.

Emission limits for HC, NO\textsubscript{x}, and CO from cars have been declining steadily since 1970. The Clean Air Act of 1990 made the requirements on emissions even tougher, primarily for ozone, CO, nitrogen dioxide, and particulate matter (PM). As a result, today’s industrial facilities and vehicles emit a fraction of the pollutants they used to emit a few decades ago. The HC emissions of cars, for example, decreased from about 8 gpm (grams per mile) in 1970 to 0.4 gpm in 1980 and about 0.1 gpm in 1999. This is a significant reduction since many of the gaseous toxics from motor vehicles and liquid fuels are hydrocarbons.

Children are most susceptible to the damages caused by air pollutants since their organs are still developing. They are also exposed to more pollution since they are more active, and thus they breathe faster. People with heart and lung problems, especially those with asthma, are most affected by air pollutants. This becomes apparent when the air pollution levels in their neighborhoods rise to high levels.

**Ozone and Smog**

If you live in a metropolitan area such as Los Angeles, you are probably familiar with urban smog—the dark yellow or brown haze that builds up in a large stagnant air mass and hangs over populated areas on calm hot summer days. Smog is made up mostly of ground-level ozone (O\textsubscript{3}), but it also contains numerous other chemicals, including carbon monoxide (CO), particulate matter such as soot and dust, volatile organic compounds (VOCs) such as benzene, butane, and other hydrocarbons. The harmful ground-level ozone should not be confused with the useful ozone layer high in the stratosphere that protects the earth from the sun’s harmful ultraviolet rays. Ozone at ground level is a pollutant with several adverse health effects.

The primary source of both nitrogen oxides and hydrocarbons is the motor vehicles. Hydrocarbons and nitrogen oxides react in the presence of sunlight on hot calm days to form ground-level ozone, which is the primary
component of smog (Fig. 2–66). The smog formation usually peaks in late afternoons when the temperatures are highest and there is plenty of sunlight. Although ground-level smog and ozone form in urban areas with heavy traffic or industry, the prevailing winds can transport them several hundred miles to other cities. This shows that pollution knows of no boundaries, and it is a global problem.

Ozone irritates eyes and damages the air sacs in the lungs where oxygen and carbon dioxide are exchanged, causing eventual hardening of this soft and spongy tissue. It also causes shortness of breath, wheezing, fatigue, headaches, and nausea, and aggravates respiratory problems such as asthma. Every exposure to ozone does a little damage to the lungs, just like cigarette smoke, eventually reducing the individual's lung capacity. Staying indoors and minimizing physical activity during heavy smog minimizes damage. Ozone also harms vegetation by damaging leaf tissues. To improve the air quality in areas with the worst ozone problems, reformulated gasoline (RFG) that contains at least 2 percent oxygen was introduced. The use of RFG has resulted in significant reduction in the emission of ozone and other pollutants, and its use is mandatory in many smog-prone areas.

The other serious pollutant in smog is carbon monoxide, which is a colorless, odorless, poisonous gas. It is mostly emitted by motor vehicles, and it can build to dangerous levels in areas with heavy congested traffic. It deprives the body’s organs from getting enough oxygen by binding with the red blood cells that would otherwise carry oxygen. At low levels, carbon monoxide decreases the amount of oxygen supplied to the brain and other organs and muscles, slows body reactions and reflexes, and impairs judgment. It poses a serious threat to people with heart disease because of the fragile condition of the circulatory system and to fetuses because of the oxygen needs of the developing brain. At high levels, it can be fatal, as evidenced by numerous deaths caused by cars that are warmed up in closed garages or by exhaust gases leaking into the cars.

Smog also contains suspended particulate matter such as dust and soot emitted by vehicles and industrial facilities. Such particles irritate the eyes and the lungs since they may carry compounds such as acids and metals.

Acid Rain

Fossil fuels are mixtures of various chemicals, including small amounts of sulfur. The sulfur in the fuel reacts with oxygen to form sulfur dioxide (SO₂), which is an air pollutant. The main source of SO₂ is the electric power plants that burn high-sulfur coal. The Clean Air Act of 1970 has limited the SO₂ emissions severely, which forced the plants to install SO₂ scrubbers, to switch to low-sulfur coal, or to gasify the coal and recover the sulfur. Motor vehicles also contribute to SO₂ emissions since gasoline and diesel fuel also contain small amounts of sulfur. Volcanic eruptions and hot springs also release sulfur oxides (the cause of the rotten egg smell).

The sulfur oxides and nitric oxides react with water vapor and other chemicals high in the atmosphere in the presence of sunlight to form sulfurous and nitric acids (Fig. 2–67). The acids formed usually dissolve in the suspended water droplets in clouds or fog. These acid-laden droplets, which can be as acidic as lemon juice, are washed from the air on to the soil by rain or snow. This is known as acid rain. The soil is capable of neutralizing
a certain amount of acid, but the amounts produced by the power plants using inexpensive high-sulfur coal has exceeded this capability, and as a result many lakes and rivers in industrial areas such as New York, Pennsylvania, and Michigan have become too acidic for fish to grow. Forests in those areas also experience a slow death due to absorbing the acids through their leaves, needles, and roots. Even marble structures deteriorate due to acid rain. The magnitude of the problem was not recognized until the early 1970s, and serious measures have been taken since then to reduce the sulfur dioxide emissions drastically by installing scrubbers in plants and by desulfurizing coal before combustion.

**The Greenhouse Effect:**
**Global Warming and Climate Change**

You have probably noticed that when you leave your car under direct sunlight on a sunny day, the interior of the car gets much warmer than the air outside, and you may have wondered why the car acts like a heat trap. This is because glass at thicknesses encountered in practice transmits over 90 percent of radiation in the visible range and is practically opaque (nontransparent) to radiation in the longer wavelength infrared regions. Therefore, glass allows the solar radiation to enter freely but blocks the infrared radiation emitted by the interior surfaces. This causes a rise in the interior temperature as a result of the thermal energy buildup in the car. This heating effect is known as the greenhouse effect, since it is utilized primarily in greenhouses.

The greenhouse effect is also experienced on a larger scale on earth. The surface of the earth, which warms up during the day as a result of the absorption of solar energy, cools down at night by radiating part of its energy into deep space as infrared radiation. Carbon dioxide (CO$_2$), water vapor, and trace amounts of some other gases such as methane and nitrogen oxides act like a blanket and keep the earth warm at night by blocking the heat radiated from the earth (Fig. 2–68). Therefore, they are called “greenhouse gases,” with CO$_2$ being the primary component. Water vapor is usually taken out of this list since it comes down as rain or snow as part of the water cycle and human activities in producing water (such as the burning of fossil fuels) do not make much difference on its concentration in the atmosphere (which is mostly due to evaporation from rivers, lakes, oceans, etc.). CO$_2$ is different, however, in that people’s activities do make a difference in CO$_2$ concentration in the atmosphere.

The greenhouse effect makes life on earth possible by keeping the earth warm (about 30°C warmer). However, excessive amounts of these gases disturb the delicate balance by trapping too much energy, which causes the average temperature of the earth to rise and the climate at some localities to change. These undesirable consequences of the greenhouse effect are referred to as global warming or global climate change.

The global climate change is due to the excessive use of fossil fuels such as coal, petroleum products, and natural gas in electric power generation, transportation, buildings, and manufacturing, and it has been a concern in recent decades. In 1995, a total of 6.5 billion tons of carbon was released to the atmosphere as CO$_2$. The current concentration of CO$_2$ in the atmosphere...
is about 360 ppm (or 0.36 percent). This is 20 percent higher than the level a century ago, and it is projected to increase to over 700 ppm by the year 2100. Under normal conditions, vegetation consumes CO₂ and releases O₂ during the photosynthesis process, and thus keeps the CO₂ concentration in the atmosphere in check. A mature, growing tree consumes about 12 kg of CO₂ a year and exhales enough oxygen to support a family of four. However, deforestation and the huge increase in the CO₂ production in recent decades disturbed this balance.

In a 1995 report, the world's leading climate scientists concluded that the earth has already warmed about 0.5°C during the last century, and they estimate that the earth's temperature will rise another 2°C by the year 2100. A rise of this magnitude is feared to cause severe changes in weather patterns with storms and heavy rains and flooding at some parts and drought in others, major floods due to the melting of ice at the poles, loss of wetlands and coastal areas due to rising sea levels, variations in water supply, changes in the ecosystem due to the inability of some animal and plant species to adjust to the changes, increases in epidemic diseases due to the warmer temperatures, and adverse side effects on human health and socioeconomic conditions in some areas.

The seriousness of these threats has moved the United Nations to establish a committee on climate change. A world summit in 1992 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, attracted world attention to the problem. The agreement prepared by the committee in 1992 to control greenhouse gas emissions was signed by 162 nations. In the 1997 meeting in Kyoto (Japan), the world’s industrialized countries adopted the Kyoto protocol and committed to reduce their CO₂ and other greenhouse gas emissions by 5 percent below the 1990 levels by 2008 to 2012. This can be done by increasing conservation efforts and improving conversion efficiencies, while meeting new energy demands by the use of renewable energy (such as hydroelectric, solar, wind, and geothermal energy) rather than by fossil fuels.

The United States is the largest contributor of greenhouse gases, with over 5 tons of carbon emissions per person per year. A major source of greenhouse gas emissions is transportation. Each liter of gasoline burned by a vehicle produces about 2.5 kg of CO₂ (or, each gallon of gasoline burned produces about 20 lbm of CO₂). An average car in the United States is driven about 12,000 miles a year, and it consumes about 600 gallons of gasoline. Therefore, a car emits about 12,000 lbm of CO₂ to the atmosphere a year, which is about four times the weight of a typical car (Fig. 2–69). This and other emissions can be reduced significantly by buying an energy-efficient car that burns less fuel over the same distance, and by driving sensibly. Saving fuel also saves money and the environment. For example, choosing a vehicle that gets 30 rather than 20 miles per gallon will prevent 2 tons of CO₂ from being released to the atmosphere every year while reducing the fuel cost by $400 per year (under average driving conditions of 12,000 miles a year and at a fuel cost of $2.00/gal).

It is clear from these discussions that considerable amounts of pollutants are emitted as the chemical energy in fossil fuels is converted to thermal, mechanical, or electrical energy via combustion, and thus power plants, motor vehicles, and even stoves take the blame for air pollution. In contrast, no pollution is emitted as electricity is converted to thermal, chemical, or
mechanical energy, and thus electric cars are often touted as “zero emission” vehicles and their widespread use is seen by some as the ultimate solution to the air pollution problem. It should be remembered, however, that the electricity used by the electric cars is generated somewhere else mostly by burning fuel and thus emitting pollution. Therefore, each time an electric car consumes 1 kWh of electricity, it bears the responsibility for the pollutions emitted as 1 kWh of electricity (plus the conversion and transmission losses) is generated elsewhere. The electric cars can be claimed to be zero emission vehicles only when the electricity they consume is generated by emission-free renewable resources such as hydroelectric, solar, wind, and geothermal energy (Fig. 2–70). Therefore, the use of renewable energy should be encouraged worldwide, with incentives, as necessary, to make the earth a better place to live in. The advancements in thermodynamics have contributed greatly in recent decades to improve conversion efficiencies (in some cases doubling them) and thus to reduce pollution. As individuals, we can also help by practicing energy conservation measures and by making energy efficiency a high priority in our purchases.

**EXAMPLE 2–18 Reducing Air Pollution by Geothermal Heating**

A geothermal power plant in Nevada is generating electricity using geothermal water extracted at 180°C, and reinjected back to the ground at 85°C. It is proposed to utilize the reinjected brine for heating the residential and commercial buildings in the area, and calculations show that the geothermal heating system can save 18 million therms of natural gas a year. Determine the amount of NOₓ and CO₂ emissions the geothermal system will save a year. Take the average NOₓ and CO₂ emissions of gas furnaces to be 0.0047 kg/therm and 6.4 kg/therm, respectively.

**Solution** The gas heating systems in an area are being replaced by a geothermal district heating system. The amounts of NOₓ and CO₂ emissions saved per year are to be determined.

**Analysis** The amounts of emissions saved per year are equivalent to the amounts emitted by furnaces when 18 million therms of natural gas are burned,

\[ \text{NO}_x \text{ savings} = (\text{NO}_x \text{ emission per therm}) (\text{No. of therms per year}) \]
\[ = (0.0047 \text{ kg/therm}) (18 \times 10^6 \text{ therm/year}) \]
\[ = 8.5 \times 10^4 \text{ kg/year} \]

\[ \text{CO}_2 \text{ savings} = (\text{CO}_2 \text{ emission per therm}) (\text{No. of therms per year}) \]
\[ = (6.4 \text{ kg/therm}) (18 \times 10^6 \text{ therm/year}) \]
\[ = 1.2 \times 10^8 \text{ kg/year} \]

**Discussion** A typical car on the road generates about 8.5 kg of NOₓ and 6000 kg of CO₂ a year. Therefore the environmental impact of replacing the gas heating systems in the area by the geothermal heating system is equivalent to taking 10,000 cars off the road for NOₓ emission and taking 20,000 cars off the road for CO₂ emission. The proposed system should have a significant effect on reducing smog in the area.
Heat can be transferred in three different ways: conduction, convection, and radiation. We will give a brief description of each mode to familiarize the reader with the basic mechanisms of heat transfer. All modes of heat transfer require the existence of a temperature difference, and all modes of heat transfer are from the high-temperature medium to a lower temperature one.

**Conduction** is the transfer of energy from the more energetic particles of a substance to the adjacent less energetic ones as a result of interactions between the particles. Conduction can take place in solids, liquids, or gases. In gases and liquids, conduction is due to the collisions of the molecules during their random motion. In solids, it is due to the combination of vibrations of molecules in a lattice and the energy transport by free electrons. A cold canned drink in a warm room, for example, eventually warms up to the room temperature as a result of heat transfer from the room to the drink through the aluminum can by conduction (Fig. 2–71).

It is observed that the rate of heat conduction \( \dot{Q}_{\text{cond}} \) through a layer of constant thickness \( \Delta x \) is proportional to the temperature difference \( \Delta T \) across the layer and the area \( A \) normal to the direction of heat transfer, and is inversely proportional to the thickness of the layer. Therefore,

\[
\dot{Q}_{\text{cond}} = k_t A \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta x} \quad (W)
\]

where the constant of proportionality \( k_t \) is the **thermal conductivity** of the material, which is a measure of the ability of a material to conduct heat (Table 2–3). Materials such as copper and silver, which are good electric conductors, are also good heat conductors, and therefore have high \( k_t \) values. Materials such as rubber, wood, and styrofoam are poor conductors of heat, and therefore have low \( k_t \) values.

In the limiting case of \( \Delta x \to 0 \), the equation above reduces to the differential form

\[
\dot{Q}_{\text{cond}} = -k_t A \frac{dT}{dx} \quad (W)
\]

which is known as **Fourier’s law** of heat conduction. It indicates that the rate of heat conduction in a direction is proportional to the **temperature gradient** in that direction. Heat is conducted in the direction of decreasing temperature, and the temperature gradient becomes negative when temperature decreases with increasing \( x \). Therefore, a negative sign is added in Eq. 2–52 to make heat transfer in the positive \( x \) direction a positive quantity.

Temperature is a measure of the kinetic energies of the molecules. In a liquid or gas, the kinetic energy of the molecules is due to the random motion of the molecules as well as the vibrational and rotational motions. When two molecules possessing different kinetic energies collide, part of the kinetic energy of the more energetic (higher temperature) molecule is transferred to the less energetic (lower temperature) particle, in much the same way as when two elastic balls of the same mass at different velocities collide, part of the kinetic energy of the faster ball is transferred to the slower one.

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*This section can be skipped without a loss in continuity.*
In solids, heat conduction is due to two effects: the lattice vibrational waves induced by the vibrational motions of the molecules positioned at relatively fixed position in a periodic manner called a lattice, and the energy transported via the free flow of electrons in the solid. The thermal conductivity of a solid is obtained by adding the lattice and the electronic components. The thermal conductivity of pure metals is primarily due to the electronic component, whereas the thermal conductivity of nonmetals is primarily due to the lattice component. The lattice component of thermal conductivity strongly depends on the way the molecules are arranged. For example, the thermal conductivity of diamond, which is a highly ordered crystalline solid, is much higher than the thermal conductivities of pure metals, as can be seen from Table 2–3.

**Convection** is the mode of energy transfer between a solid surface and the adjacent liquid or gas that is in motion, and it involves the combined effects of conduction and fluid motion. The faster the fluid motion, the greater the convection heat transfer. In the absence of any bulk fluid motion, heat transfer between a solid surface and the adjacent fluid is by pure conduction. The presence of bulk motion of the fluid enhances the heat transfer between the solid surface and the fluid, but it also complicates the determination of heat transfer rates.

Consider the cooling of a hot block by blowing of cool air over its top surface (Fig. 2–72). Energy is first transferred to the air layer adjacent to the surface of the block by conduction. This energy is then carried away from the surface by convection; that is, by the combined effects of conduction within the air, which is due to random motion of air molecules, and the bulk or macroscopic motion of the air, which removes the heated air near the surface and replaces it by the cooler air.

Convection is called forced convection if the fluid is forced to flow in a tube or over a surface by external means such as a fan, pump, or the wind. In contrast, convection is called free (or natural) convection if the fluid motion is caused by buoyancy forces induced by density differences due to the variation of temperature in the fluid (Fig. 2–73). For example, in the absence of a fan, heat transfer from the surface of the hot block in Fig. 2–72 will be by natural convection since any motion in the air in this case will be due to the rise of the warmer (and thus lighter) air near the surface and the fall of the cooler (and thus heavier) air to fill its place. Heat transfer between the block and surrounding air will be by conduction if the temperature difference between the air and the block is not large enough to overcome the resistance of air to move and thus to initiate natural convection currents.

Heat transfer processes that involve change of phase of a fluid are also considered to be convection because of the fluid motion induced during the process such as the rise of the vapor bubbles during boiling or the fall of the liquid droplets during condensation.

The rate of heat transfer by convection $\dot{Q}_{\text{conv}}$ is determined from Newton’s law of cooling, expressed as

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{conv}} = hA(T_s - T_f) \quad \text{(W)}$$

(2–53)

where $h$ is the convection heat transfer coefficient, $A$ is the surface area through which heat transfer takes place, $T_s$ is the surface temperature, and $T_f$ is bulk fluid temperature away from the surface. (At the surface, the fluid temperature equals the surface temperature of the solid.)

### Table 2–3

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**FIGURE 2–72**

Heat transfer from a hot surface to air by convection.
The convection heat transfer coefficient $h$ is not a property of the fluid. It is an experimentally determined parameter whose value depends on all the variables that influence convection such as the surface geometry, the nature of fluid motion, the properties of the fluid, and the bulk fluid velocity. Typical values of $h$, in $\text{W/m}^2\cdot\text{K}$, are in the range of 2–25 for the free convection of gases, 50–1000 for the free convection of liquids, 25–250 for the forced convection of gases, 50–20,000 for the forced convection of liquids, and 2500–100,000 for convection in boiling and condensation processes.

Radiation is the energy emitted by matter in the form of electromagnetic waves (or photons) as a result of the changes in the electronic configurations of the atoms or molecules. Unlike conduction and convection, the transfer of energy by radiation does not require the presence of an intervening medium (Fig. 2–74). In fact, energy transfer by radiation is fastest (at the speed of light) and it suffers no attenuation in a vacuum. This is exactly how the energy of the sun reaches the earth.

In heat transfer studies, we are interested in thermal radiation, which is the form of radiation emitted by bodies because of their temperature. It differs from other forms of electromagnetic radiation such as X-rays, gamma rays, microwaves, radio waves, and television waves that are not related to temperature. All bodies at a temperature above absolute zero emit thermal radiation.

Radiation is a volumetric phenomenon, and all solids, liquids, and gases emit, absorb, or transmit radiation of varying degrees. However, radiation is usually considered to be a surface phenomenon for solids that are opaque to thermal radiation such as metals, wood, and rocks since the radiation emitted by the interior regions of such material can never reach the surface, and the radiation incident on such bodies is usually absorbed within a few microns from the surface.

The maximum rate of radiation that can be emitted from a surface at an absolute temperature $T_s$ is given by the Stefan–Boltzmann law as

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{emit,max}} = \sigma A T_s^4 \quad (\text{W})$$

(2–54)

where $A$ is the surface area and $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \ \text{W/m}^2\cdot\text{K}^4$ is the Stefan–Boltzmann constant. The idealized surface that emits radiation at this maximum rate is called a blackbody, and the radiation emitted by a blackbody is called blackbody radiation. The radiation emitted by all real surfaces is less than the radiation emitted by a blackbody at the same temperatures and is expressed as

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{emit}} = \epsilon \sigma A T_s^4 \quad (\text{W})$$

(2–55)

where $\epsilon$ is the emissivity of the surface. The property emissivity, whose value is in the range $0 \leq \epsilon \leq 1$, is a measure of how closely a surface approximates a blackbody for which $\epsilon = 1$. The emissivities of some surfaces are given in Table 2–4.

Another important radiation property of a surface is its absorptivity, $\alpha$, which is the fraction of the radiation energy incident on a surface that is absorbed by the surface. Like emissivity, its value is in the range $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$. A blackbody absorbs the entire radiation incident on it. That is, a blackbody is a perfect absorber ($\alpha = 1$) as well as a perfect emitter.
In general, both $e$ and $\alpha$ of a surface depend on the temperature and the wavelength of the radiation. Kirchhoff’s law of radiation states that the emissivity and the absorptivity of a surface are equal at the same temperature and wavelength. In most practical applications, the dependence of $e$ and $\alpha$ on the temperature and wavelength is ignored, and the average absorptivity of a surface is taken to be equal to its average emissivity. The rate at which a surface absorbs radiation is determined from (Fig. 2–75)

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{abs}} = \alpha \dot{Q}_{\text{incident}} \quad \text{(W)}$$

(2–56)

where $\dot{Q}_{\text{incident}}$ is the rate at which radiation is incident on the surface and $\alpha$ is the absorptivity of the surface. For opaque (nontransparent) surfaces, the portion of incident radiation that is not absorbed by the surface is reflected back.

The difference between the rates of radiation emitted by the surface and the radiation absorbed is the net radiation heat transfer. If the rate of radiation absorption is greater than the rate of radiation emission, the surface is said to be gaining energy by radiation. Otherwise, the surface is said to be losing energy by radiation. In general, the determination of the net rate of heat transfer by radiation between two surfaces is a complicated matter since it depends on the properties of the surfaces, their orientation relative to each other, and the interaction of the medium between the surfaces with radiation. However, in the special case of a relatively small surface of emissivity $e$ and surface area $A$ at absolute temperature $T_s$ that is completely enclosed by a much larger surface at absolute temperature $T_{surr}$ separated by a gas (such as air) that does not intervene with radiation (i.e., the amount of radiation emitted, absorbed, or scattered by the medium is negligible), the net rate of radiation heat transfer between these two surfaces is determined from (Fig. 2–76)

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{rad}} = e\sigma A (T_s^4 - T_{surr}^4) \quad \text{(W)}$$

(2–57)

In this special case, the emissivity and the surface area of the surrounding surface do not have any effect on the net radiation heat transfer.

**EXAMPLE 2–19 Heat Transfer from a Person**

Consider a person standing in a breezy room at 20°C. Determine the total rate of heat transfer from this person if the exposed surface area and the average outer surface temperature of the person are 1.6 m$^2$ and 29°C, respectively, and the convection heat transfer coefficient is 6 W/m$^2$·°C (Fig. 2–77).

**Solution** A person is standing in a breezy room. The total rate of heat loss from the person is to be determined.

**Assumptions** 1 The emissivity and heat transfer coefficient are constant and uniform. 2 Heat conduction through the feet is negligible. 3 Heat loss by evaporation is disregarded.

**Analysis** The heat transfer between the person and the air in the room will be by convection (instead of conduction) since it is conceivable that the air in the vicinity of the skin or clothing will warm up and rise as a result of heat transfer from the body, initiating natural convection currents. It appears

**FIGURE 2–75** The absorption of radiation incident on an opaque surface of absorptivity $\alpha$.

**FIGURE 2–76** Radiation heat transfer between a body and the inner surfaces of a much larger enclosure that completely surrounds it.

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**TABLE 2–4 Emissivity of some materials at 300 K**

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that the experimentally determined value for the rate of convection heat transfer in this case is 6 W per unit surface area (m\(^2\)) per unit temperature difference (in K or °C) between the person and the air away from the person. Thus, the rate of convection heat transfer from the person to the air in the room is, from Eq. 2–53,

\[
\dot{Q}_{\text{conv}} = h A (T_s - T_f)
\]

\[
= (6 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}) (1.6 \text{ m}^2) (29 - 20) \text{ °C}
\]

\[
= 86.4 \text{ W}
\]

The person will also lose heat by radiation to the surrounding wall surfaces. We take the temperature of the surfaces of the walls, ceiling, and the floor to be equal to the air temperature in this case for simplicity, but we recognize that this does not need to be the case. These surfaces may be at a higher or lower temperature than the average temperature of the room air, depending on the outdoor conditions and the structure of the walls. Considering that air does not intervene with radiation and the person is completely enclosed by the surrounding surfaces, the net rate of radiation heat transfer from the person to the surrounding walls, ceiling, and the floor is, from Eq. 2–57,

\[
\dot{Q}_{\text{rad}} = e \sigma A (T_s^4 - T_{\text{sur}}^4)
\]

\[
= (0.95)(5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}^4)(1.6 \text{ m}^2) \times [(29 + 273)^4 - (20 + 273)^4] \text{K}^4
\]

\[
= 81.7 \text{ W}
\]

Note that we must use absolute temperatures in radiation calculations. Also note that we used the emissivity value for the skin and clothing at room temperature since the emissivity is not expected to change significantly at a slightly higher temperature.

Then the rate of total heat transfer from the body is determined by adding these two quantities to be

\[
\dot{Q}_{\text{total}} = \dot{Q}_{\text{conv}} + \dot{Q}_{\text{rad}} = 86.4 + 81.7 = 168.1 \text{ W}
\]

The heat transfer would be much higher if the person were not dressed since the exposed surface temperature would be higher. Thus, an important function of the clothes is to serve as a barrier against heat transfer. **Discussion** In the above calculations, heat transfer through the feet to the floor by conduction, which is usually very small, is neglected. Heat transfer from the skin by perspiration, which is the dominant mode of heat transfer in hot environments, is not considered here.

**SUMMARY**

The sum of all forms of energy of a system is called **total energy**, which consists of internal, kinetic, and potential energy for simple compressible systems. **Internal energy** represents the molecular energy of a system and may exist in sensible, latent, chemical, and nuclear forms. **Mass flow rate** \( \dot{m} \) is defined as the amount of mass flowing through a cross section per unit time. It is related to the **volume flow rate** \( \dot{V} \), which is the volume of a fluid flowing through a cross section per unit time, by

\[
\dot{m} = \rho \dot{V} = \rho A_v V_{\text{avg}}
\]
The energy flow rate associated with a fluid flowing at a rate of \( \dot{m} \) is

\[
\dot{E} = \dot{m}e
\]

which is analogous to \( E = me \).

The **mechanical energy** is defined as the form of energy that can be converted to mechanical work completely and directly by a mechanical device such as an ideal turbine. It is expressed on a unit mass basis and rate form as

\[
e_{\text{mech}} = \frac{P}{\rho} + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz
\]

and

\[
\dot{E}_{\text{mech}} = \dot{m}e_{\text{mech}} = \dot{m}\left(\frac{P}{\rho} + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz\right)
\]

where \( P \rho \) is the flow energy, \( V^2/2 \) is the kinetic energy, and \( gz \) is the potential energy of the fluid per unit mass.

Energy can cross the boundaries of a closed system in the form of heat or work. For control volumes, energy can also be transported by mass. If the energy transfer is due to a temperature difference between a closed system and its surroundings, it is heat; otherwise, it is work.

Work is the energy transferred as a force acts on a system through a distance. Various forms of work are expressed as follows:

- **Electrical work**: \( W_e = VI \Delta t \)
- **Shaft work**: \( W_{sh} = 2\pi nT \)
- **Spring work**: \( W_{spring} = \frac{1}{2} k(x_f^2 - x_i^2) \)

The **first law of thermodynamics** is essentially an expression of the conservation of energy principle, also called the energy balance. The general mass and energy balances for an **any system undergoing any process** can be expressed as

\[
\begin{align*}
E_{\text{in}} - E_{\text{out}} &= \Delta E_{\text{system}} \quad (\text{kJ}) \\
\frac{dE_{\text{system}}}{dt} &= \text{Rate of change in internal, kinetic, potential, etc., energies (kW)}
\end{align*}
\]

It can also be expressed in the **rate form** as

\[
\dot{E}_{\text{in}} - \dot{E}_{\text{out}} = \frac{dE_{\text{system}}}{dt} \quad (\text{kW})
\]

The efficiencies of various devices are defined as

\[
\begin{align*}
\eta_{\text{pump}} &= \frac{\Delta E_{\text{mech,fluid}}}{W_{\text{shaft,in}}} = \frac{\dot{W}_{\text{pump},s}}{\dot{W}_{\text{pump}}} \\
\eta_{\text{turbine}} &= \frac{\dot{W}_{\text{turbine,out}}}{|\Delta E_{\text{mech,fluid}}|} = \frac{\dot{W}_{\text{turbine,\text{e}}}}{\dot{W}_{\text{turbine,\text{e}}}} \\
\eta_{\text{motor}} &= \frac{\text{Mechanical power output}}{\text{Electric power input}} = \frac{W_{\text{shaft,out}}}{W_{\text{elect,in}}} \\
\eta_{\text{generator}} &= \frac{\text{Electric power output}}{\text{Mechanical power input}} = \frac{W_{\text{elect,out}}}{W_{\text{shaft,in}}} \\
\eta_{\text{pump,motor}} &= \eta_{\text{pump}} \eta_{\text{motor}} = \frac{\Delta E_{\text{mech,fluid}}}{W_{\text{elect,in}}} \\
\eta_{\text{turbine,gen}} &= \eta_{\text{turbine}} \eta_{\text{generator}} = \frac{\dot{W}_{\text{elect,out}}}{|\Delta E_{\text{mech,fluid}}|}
\end{align*}
\]

The conversion of energy from one form to another is often associated with adverse effects on the environment, and environmental impact should be an important consideration in the conversion and utilization of energy.

**REFERENCES AND SUGGESTED READINGS**


Forms of Energy

2–1C What is the difference between the macroscopic and microscopic forms of energy?

2–2C What is total energy? Identify the different forms of energy that constitute the total energy.

2–3C How are heat, internal energy, and thermal energy related to each other?

2–4C What is mechanical energy? How does it differ from thermal energy? What are the forms of mechanical energy of a fluid stream?

2–5C Natural gas, which is mostly methane CH₄, is a fuel and a major energy source. Can we say the same about hydrogen gas, H₂?

2–6E Calculate the total kinetic energy, in Btu, of an object with a mass of 15 lbm when its velocity is 100 ft/s.
Answer: 3.0 Btu

2–7 Calculate the total kinetic energy, in kJ, of an object whose mass is 100 kg and whose velocity is 20 m/s.

2–8E The specific potential energy of an object with respect to some datum level is given by gz where g is the local gravitational acceleration and z is the elevation of the object above the datum. Determine the specific potential energy, in Btu/lbm, of an object elevated 100 ft above a datum at a location where g = 32.1 ft/s².

2–9E Calculate the total potential energy, in Btu, of an object with a mass of 200 lbm when it is 10 ft above a datum level at a location where standard gravitational acceleration exists.

2–10 Calculate the total potential energy, in kJ, of an object whose mass is 20 kg when it is located 20 m below a datum level in a location where g = 9.5 m/s².

2–11 A person gets into an elevator at the lobby level of a hotel together with his 30-kg suitcase, and gets out at the 10th floor 35 m above. Determine the amount of energy consumed by the motor of the elevator that is now stored in the suitcase.

2–12 Electric power is to be generated by installing a hydraulic turbine–generator at a site 160 m below the free surface of a large water reservoir that can supply water at a rate of 3500 kg/s steadily. Determine the power generation potential.

2–13 At a certain location, wind is blowing steadily at 10 m/s. Determine the mechanical energy of air per unit mass and the power generation potential of a wind turbine with 60-m-diameter blades at that location. Take the air density to be 1.25 kg/m³.

2–14 A water jet that leaves a nozzle at 60 m/s at a flow rate of 120 kg/s is to be used to generate power by striking the buckets located on the perimeter of a wheel. Determine the power generation potential of this water jet.

2–15 Two sites are being considered for wind power generation. In the first site, the wind blows steadily at 7 m/s for 3000 hours per year, whereas in the second site the wind blows at 10 m/s for 2000 hours per year. Assuming the wind velocity is negligible at other times for simplicity, determine which is a better site for wind power generation. Hint: Note that the mass flow rate of air is proportional to wind velocity.

2–16 A river flowing steadily at a rate of 175 m³/s is considered for hydroelectric power generation. It is determined that a dam can be built to collect water and release it from an elevation difference of 80 m to generate power. Determine how much power can be generated from this river water after the dam is filled.

2–17 Consider a river flowing toward a lake at an average velocity of 3 m/s at a rate of 500 m³/s at a location 90 m above the lake surface. Determine the total mechanical energy of the river water per unit mass and the power generation potential of the entire river at that location.

Energy Transfer by Heat and Work

2–18C In what forms can energy cross the boundaries of a closed system?

2–19C When is the energy crossing the boundaries of a closed system heat and when is it work?

2–20C What is an adiabatic process? What is an adiabatic system?

2–21C What are point and path functions? Give some examples.
2–22C Consider an automobile traveling at a constant speed along a road. Determine the direction of the heat and work interactions, taking the following as the system: (a) the car radiator, (b) the car engine, (c) the car wheels, (d) the road, and (e) the air surrounding the car.

2–23C The length of a spring can be changed by (a) applying a force to it or (b) changing its temperature (i.e., thermal expansion). What type of energy interaction between the system (spring) and surroundings is required to change the length of the spring in these two ways?

2–24C Consider an electric refrigerator located in a room. Determine the direction of the work and heat interactions (in or out) when the following are taken as the system: (a) the contents of the refrigerator, (b) all parts of the refrigerator including the contents, and (c) everything contained within the room during a winter day.

2–25C A personal computer is to be examined from a thermodynamic perspective. Determine the direction of the work and heat transfers (in or out) when the (a) keyboard, (b) monitor, (c) processing unit, and (d) all of these are taken as the system.

2–26 A small electrical motor produces 5 W of mechanical power. What is this power in (a) N·m/s, (b) kg·m²/s³?

2–27E A model aircraft internal-combustion engine produces 10 W of power. How much power is this in (a) lbf·ft/s and (b) hp?

**Mechanical Forms of Work**

2–28C A car is accelerated from rest to 85 km/h in 10 s. Would the energy transferred to the car be different if it were accelerated to the same speed in 5 s?

2–29 Determine the energy required to accelerate an 800-kg car from rest to 100 km/h on a level road. \( \text{Answer: 309 kJ} \)

2–30E A construction crane lifts a prestressed concrete beam weighing 3 tons from the ground to the top of piers that are 24 ft above the ground. Determine the amount of work done considering (a) the beam and (b) the crane as the system. Express your answers in both lbf·ft and Btu.

2–31E A man weighing 180 lbf is pushing a cart that weights 100 lbf with its contents up a ramp that is inclined at an angle of 10° from the horizontal. Determine the work needed to move along this ramp a distance of 100 ft considering (a) the man and (b) the cart and its contents as the system. Express your answers in both lbf·ft and Btu.

2–32E The force \( F \) required to compress a spring a distance \( x \) is given by \( F = F_0 + kx \) where \( k \) is the spring constant and \( F_0 \) is the preload. Determine the work required to compress a spring whose spring constant is \( k = 200 \text{ lbf/in} \) a distance of one inch starting from its free length where \( F_0 = 0 \text{ lbf} \). Express your answer in both lbf·ft and Btu.

2–33E A spherical soap bubble with a surface-tension of 0.005 lbf/ft is expanded from a diameter of 0.5 in to 2.0 in. How much work, in Btu, is required to expand this bubble? \( \text{Answer: } 2.11 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Btu} \)

2–34E A 0.5-in diameter, 12-in-long steel rod with a Young’s modulus of 30,000 lbf/in² is stretched 0.125 in. How much work does this require, in Btu? The strain work is given by \( W = \frac{VE}{2} (e^2 - e_i) \) where \( V_0 \) is the original volume of the solid, \( E \) is Young’s modulus and \( e \) is the strain at the beginning and ending of the process.
2–35E A spring whose spring constant is 200 lbf/in has an initial force of 100 lbf acting on it. Determine the work, in Btu, required to compress it another 1 inch.

2–36 How much work, in kJ, can a spring whose spring constant is 3 kN/cm produce after it has been compressed 3 cm from its unloaded length?

2–37 A ski lift has a one-way length of 1 km and a vertical rise of 200 m. The chairs are spaced 20 m apart, and each chair can seat three people. The lift is operating at a steady speed of 10 km/h. Neglecting friction and air drag and assuming that the average mass of each loaded chair is 250 kg, determine the power required to operate this ski lift. Also estimate the power required to accelerate this ski lift in 5 s to its operating speed when it is first turned on.

2–38 Determine the power required for a 1150-kg car to climb a 100-m-long uphill road with a slope of 30° (from horizontal) in 12 s (a) at a constant velocity, (b) from rest to a final velocity of 30 m/s, and (c) from 35 m/s to a final velocity of 5 m/s. Disregard friction, air drag, and rolling resistance. Answers: (a) 47.0 kW, (b) 90.1 kW, (c) –10.5 kW

2–39 A damaged 1200-kg car is being towed by a truck. Neglecting the friction, air drag, and rolling resistance, determine the extra power required (a) for constant velocity on a level road, (b) for constant velocity of 50 km/h on a 30° (from horizontal) uphill road, and (c) to accelerate on a level road from stop to 90 km/h in 12 s. Answers: (a) 0, (b) 81.7 kW, (c) 31.3 kW

The First Law of Thermodynamics

2–40C For a cycle, is the net work necessarily zero? For what kind of systems will this be the case?

2–41C What are the different mechanisms for transferring energy to or from a control volume?

2–42C On a hot summer day, a student turns his fan on when he leaves his room in the morning. When he returns in the evening, will the room be warmer or cooler than the neighboring rooms? Why? Assume all the doors and windows are kept closed.

2–43E One way to improve the fuel efficiency of a car is to use tires that have a lower rolling resistance—tires that roll with less resistance, and highway tests at 65 mph showed that tires with the lowest rolling resistance can improve the fuel efficiency by nearly 2 mpg (miles per gallon). Consider a car that gets 35 mpg on high rolling resistance tires and is driven 15,000 miles per year. For a fuel cost of $2.20/gal, determine how much money will be saved per year by switching to low rolling resistance tires.

2–44 An adiabatic closed system is accelerated from 0 m/s to 30 m/s. Determine the specific energy change of this system, in kJ/kg.

2–45 An adiabatic closed system is raised 100 m at a location where the gravitational acceleration is 9.8 m/s². Determine the energy change of this system, in kJ/kg.

2–46E A water pump increases the water pressure from 10 psia to 50 psia. Determine the power input required, in hp, to pump 1.2 ft³/s of water. Does the water temperature at the inlet have any significant effect on the required flow power? Answer: 12.6 hp

2–47 A classroom that normally contains 40 people is to be air-conditioned with window air-conditioning units of 5-kW cooling capacity. A person at rest may be assumed to dissipate heat at a rate of about 360 kJ/h. There are 10 light-bulbs in the room, each with a rating of 100 W. The rate of heat transfer to the classroom through the walls and the windows is estimated to be 15,000 kJ/h. If the room air is to be maintained at a constant temperature of 21°C, determine the number of window air-conditioning units required. Answer: 2 units

2–48 The lighting needs of a storage room are being met by 6 fluorescent light fixtures, each fixture containing four lamps rated at 60 W each. All the lamps are on during operating hours of the facility, which are 6 AM to 6 PM 365 days a year. The storage room is actually used for an average of 3 h a day. If the price of electricity is $0.08/kWh, determine the amount of energy and money that will be saved as a result of installing motion sensors. Also, determine the simple payback period if the purchase price of the sensor is $32 and it takes 1 hour to install it at a cost of $40.

2–49 A university campus has 200 classrooms and 400 faculty offices. The classrooms are equipped with 12 fluorescent tubes, each consuming 110 W, including the electricity used by the ballasts. The faculty offices, on average, have half as many tubes. The campus is open 240 days a year. The classrooms and faculty offices are not occupied an average of 4 h a day, but the lights are kept on. If the unit cost of electricity is $0.082/kWh, determine how much money the campus will save a year if the lights in the classrooms and faculty offices are turned off during unoccupied periods.

2–50 Consider a room that is initially at the outdoor temperature of 20°C. The room contains a 100-W lightbulb, a 110-W TV set, a 200-W refrigerator, and a 1000-W iron. Assuming no heat transfer through the walls, determine the rate of increase of the energy content of the room when all of these electric devices are on.
2–51 A fan is to accelerate quiescent air to a velocity of 8 m/s at a rate of 9 m³/s. Determine the minimum power that must be supplied to the fan. Take the density of air to be 1.18 kg/m³. **Answer: 340 W**

2–52E Consider a fan located in a 3 ft × 3 ft square duct. Velocities at various points at the outlet are measured, and the average flow velocity is determined to be 22 ft/s. Taking the air density to 0.075 lbm/ft³, estimate the minimum electric power consumption of the fan motor.

2–53 The driving force for fluid flow is the pressure difference, and a pump operates by raising the pressure of a fluid (by converting the mechanical shaft work to flow energy). A gasoline pump is measured to consume 3.8 kW of electric power when operating. If the pressure differential between the outlet and inlet of the pump is measured to be 7 kPa and the changes in velocity and elevation are negligible, determine the maximum possible volume flow rate of gasoline.

**FIGURE P2–53**

\[ \Delta P = 7 \text{ kPa} \]

Pump

2–54 An escalator in a shopping center is designed to move 30 people, 75 kg each, at a constant speed of 0.8 m/s at 45° slope. Determine the minimum power input needed to drive this escalator. What would your answer be if the escalator velocity were to be doubled?

2–55 An automobile moving through the air causes the air velocity (measured with respect to the car) to decrease and fill a larger flow channel. An automobile has an effective flow channel area of 3 m². The car is traveling at 90 km/h on a day when the barometric pressure is 70 cm of mercury and the temperature is 20°C. Behind the car, the air velocity (with respect to the car) is measured to be 82 km/h, and the temperature is 20°C. Determine the power required to move this car through the air and the area of the effective flow channel behind the car.

**FIGURE P2–55**

Energy Conversion Efficiencies

2–56C What is mechanical efficiency? What does a mechanical efficiency of 100 percent mean for a hydraulic turbine?

2–57C How is the combined pump–motor efficiency of a pump and motor system defined? Can the combined pump–motor efficiency be greater than either the pump or the motor efficiency?

2–58C Define turbine efficiency, generator efficiency, and combined turbine–generator efficiency.

2–59C Can the combined turbine-generator efficiency be greater than either the turbine efficiency or the generator efficiency? Explain.

2–60 Consider a 24-kW hooded electric open burner in an area where the unit costs of electricity and natural gas are $0.10/kWh and $1.20/therm (1 therm = 105,500 kJ), respectively. The efficiency of open burners can be taken to be 73 percent for electric burners and 38 percent for gas burners. Determine the rate of energy consumption and the unit cost of utilized energy for both electric and gas burners.

2–61 A 75-hp (shaft output) motor that has an efficiency of 91.0 percent is worn out and is replaced by a high-efficiency 75-hp motor that has an efficiency of 95.4 percent. Determine the reduction in the heat gain of the room due to higher efficiency under full-load conditions.

2–62 A 90-hp (shaft output) electric car is powered by an electric motor mounted in the engine compartment. If the motor has an average efficiency of 91 percent, determine the rate of heat supply by the motor to the engine compartment at full load.

2–63 A 75-hp (shaft output) motor that has an efficiency of 91.0 percent is worn out and is to be replaced by a high-efficiency motor that has an efficiency of 95.4 percent. The motor operates 4368 hours a year at a load factor of 0.75. Taking the cost of electricity to be $0.08/kWh, determine the amount of energy and money saved as a result of installing the high-efficiency motor instead of the standard motor. Also, determine the simple payback period if the purchase prices of the standard and high-efficiency motors are $5449 and $5520, respectively.

2–64E The steam requirements of a manufacturing facility are being met by a boiler whose rated heat input is 5.5 × 10⁶ Btu/h. The combustion efficiency of the boiler is measured to be 0.7 by a hand-held flue gas analyzer. After tuning up the boiler, the combustion efficiency rises to 0.8. The boiler operates 4200 hours a year intermittently. Taking the unit cost of energy to be $4.35/10⁶ Btu, determine the annual energy and cost savings as a result of tuning up the boiler.

2–65E Reconsider Prob. 2–64E. Using EES (or other) software, study the effects of the unit cost of
energy, the new combustion efficiency on the annual energy, and cost savings. Let the efficiency vary from 0.7 to 0.9, and the unit cost to vary from $4 to $6 per million Btu. Plot the annual energy and cost savings against the efficiency for unit costs of $4, $5, and $6 per million Btu, and discuss the results.

2–66 An exercise room has eight weight-lifting machines that have no motors and four treadmills each equipped with a 2.5-hp (shaft output) motor. The motors operate at an average load factor of 0.7, at which their efficiency is 0.77. During peak evening hours, all 12 pieces of exercising equipment are used continuously, and there are also two people doing light exercises while waiting in line for one piece of the equipment. Assuming the average rate of heat dissipation from people in an exercise room is 525 W, determine the rate of heat gain of the exercise room from people and the equipment at peak load conditions.

2–67 A room is cooled by circulating chilled water through a heat exchanger located in a room. The air is circulated through the heat exchanger by a 0.25-hp (shaft output) fan. Typical efficiency of small electric motors driving 0.25-hp equipment is 54 percent. Determine the rate of heat supply by the fan–motor assembly to the room.

2–68 The water in a large lake is to be used to generate electricity by the installation of a hydraulic turbine-generator at a location where the depth of the water is 50 m (Fig. 2–62). Water is to be supplied at a rate of 5000 kg/s. If the electric power generated is measured to be 1862 kW and the generator efficiency is 95 percent, determine (a) the overall efficiency of the turbine—generator, (b) the pressure difference between the inlet and exit of the pump.

2–69 At a certain location, wind is blowing steadily at 7 m/s. Determine the mechanical energy of air per unit mass and the power generation potential of a wind turbine with 80-m-diameter blades at that location. Also determine the actual electric power generation assuming an overall efficiency of 30 percent. Take the air density to be 1.25 kg/m³.

2–70 Reconsider Prob. 2–69. Using EES (or other) software, investigate the effect of wind velocity and the blade span diameter on wind power generation. Let the velocity vary from 5 to 20 m/s in increments of 5 m/s, and the diameter vary from 20 to 120 m in increments of 20 m. Tabulate the results, and discuss their significance.

2–71 Water is pumped from a lake to a storage tank 20 m above at a rate of 70 L/s while consuming 20.4 kW of electric power. Disregarding any frictional losses in the pipes and any changes in kinetic energy, determine (a) the overall efficiency of the pump–motor unit and (b) the pressure difference between the inlet and the exit of the pump.

2–72 Large wind turbines with blade span diameters of over 100 m are available for electric power generation. Consider a wind turbine with a blade span diameter of 100 m installed at a site subjected to steady winds at 8 m/s. Taking the overall efficiency of the wind turbine to be 32 percent and the air density to be 1.25 kg/m³, determine the electric power generated by this wind turbine. Also, assuming steady winds of 8 m/s during a 24-hour period, determine the amount of electric energy and the revenue generated per day for a unit price of $0.06/kWh for electricity.

2–73E A water pump delivers 6 hp of shaft power when operating. If the pressure differential between the outlet and the inlet of the pump is measured to be 1.2 psi when the flow rate is 15 ft³/s and the changes in velocity and elevation are negligible, determine the mechanical efficiency of this pump.

2–74 Water is pumped from a lower reservoir to a higher reservoir by a pump that provides 20 kW of shaft power. The free surface of the upper reservoir is 45 m higher than that of the lower reservoir. If the flow rate of water is measured to be 0.03 m³/s, determine the mechanical power that is converted to thermal energy during this process due to frictional effects.

2–75 The water behind Hoover Dam in Nevada is 206 m higher than the Colorado River below it. At what rate must
water pass through the hydraulic turbines of this dam to produce 100 MW of power if the turbines are 100 percent efficient?

2–76 An oil pump is drawing 35 kW of electric power while pumping oil with \( \rho = 860 \text{ kg/m}^3 \) at a rate of 0.1 m\(^3\)/s. The inlet and outlet diameters of the pipe are 8 cm and 12 cm, respectively. If the pressure rise of oil in the pump is measured to be 400 kPa and the motor efficiency is 90 percent, determine the mechanical efficiency of the pump.

2–77 An 80-percent efficient pump with a power input of 20 hp is pumping water from a lake to a nearby pool at a rate of 1.5 ft\(^3\)/s through a constant-diameter pipe. The free surface of the pool is 80 ft above that of the lake. Determine the mechanical power used to overcome frictional effects in piping. Answer: 2.37 hp

2–78 A wind turbine is rotating at 15 rpm under steady winds flowing through the turbine at a rate of 42,000 kg/s. The tip velocity of the turbine blade is measured to be 250 km/h. If 180 kW power is produced by the turbine, determine (a) the average velocity of the air and (b) the conversion efficiency of the turbine. Take the density of air to be 1.31 kg/m\(^3\).

Energy and Environment

2–79C How does energy conversion affect the environment? What are the primary chemicals that pollute the air? What is the primary source of these pollutants?

2–80C What is smog? What does it consist of? How does ground-level ozone form? What are the adverse effects of ozone on human health?

2–81C What is acid rain? Why is it called a “rain”? How do the acids form in the atmosphere? What are the adverse effects of acid rain on the environment?

2–82C Why is carbon monoxide a dangerous air pollutant? How does it affect human health at low and at high levels?

2–83C What is the greenhouse effect? How does the excess CO\(_2\) gas in the atmosphere cause the greenhouse effect? What are the potential long-term consequences of greenhouse effect? How can we combat this problem?

2–84E A Ford Taurus driven 15,000 miles a year will use about 715 gallons of gasoline compared to a Ford Explorer that would use 940 gallons. About 19.7 lbm of CO\(_2\), which causes global warming, is released to the atmosphere when a gallon of gasoline is burned. Determine the extra amount of CO\(_2\) production a man is responsible for during a 5-year period if he trades his Taurus for an Explorer.

2–85 When a hydrocarbon fuel is burned, almost all of the carbon in the fuel burns completely to form CO\(_2\) (carbon dioxide), which is the principal gas causing the greenhouse effect and thus global climate change. On average, 0.59 kg of CO\(_2\) is produced for each kWh of electricity generated from a power plant that burns natural gas. A typical new household refrigerator uses about 700 kWh of electricity per year. Determine the amount of CO\(_2\) production that is due to the refrigerators in a city with 300,000 households.

2–86 Repeat Prob. 2–85 assuming the electricity is produced by a power plant that burns coal. The average production of CO\(_2\) in this case is 1.1 kg per kWh.

2–87E Consider a household that uses 11,000 kWh of electricity per year and 1500 gallons of fuel oil during a heating season. The average amount of CO\(_2\) produced is 26.4 lbm/gallon of fuel oil and 1.54 lbm/kWh of electricity. If this household reduces its oil and electricity usage by 15 percent as a result of implementing some energy conservation measures, determine the reduction in the amount of CO\(_2\) emissions by that household per year.

2–88 A typical car driven 20,000 km a year emits to the atmosphere about 11 kg per year of NO\(_x\) (nitrogen oxides), which cause smog in major population areas. Natural gas burned in the furnace emits about 4.3 g of NO\(_x\) per therm (1 therm = 105,500 kJ), and the electric power plants emit about 7.1 g of NO\(_x\) per kWh of electricity produced. Consider a household that has two cars and consumes 9000 kWh of electricity and 1200 therms of natural gas. Determine the amount of NO\(_x\) emission to the atmosphere per year for which this household is responsible.
Special Topic: Mechanisms of Heat Transfer

2–89C What are the mechanisms of heat transfer?

2–90C Which is a better heat conductor, diamond or silver?

2–91C Does any of the energy of the sun reach the earth by conduction or convection?

2–92C How does forced convection differ from natural convection?

2–93C What is blackbody? How do real bodies differ from a blackbody?

2–94C Define emissivity and absorptivity. What is Kirchhoff’s law of radiation?

2–95 The inner and outer surfaces of a 5-m × 6-m brick wall of thickness 30 cm and thermal conductivity 0.69 W/m·°C are maintained at temperatures of 20°C and 5°C, respectively. Determine the rate of heat transfer through the wall, in W.

2–96 The inner and outer surfaces of a 0.5-cm-thick 2-m × 2-m window glass in winter are 15°C and 6°C, respectively. If the thermal conductivity of the glass is 0.78 W/m·°C, determine the amount of heat loss, in kW, over a period of 10 h. What would your answer be if the glass were 1-cm thick?

2–97 Reconsider Prob. 2–96. Using EES (or other) software, investigate the effect of glass thickness on heat loss for the specified glass surface temperatures. Let the glass thickness vary from 0.2 to 2 cm. Plot the heat loss versus the glass thickness, and discuss the results.

2–98 An aluminum pan whose thermal conductivity is 237 W/m·°C has a flat bottom whose diameter is 20 cm and thickness 0.4 cm. Heat is transferred steadily to boiling water in the pan through its bottom at a rate of 500 W. If the inner surface of the bottom of the pan is 105°C, determine the temperature of the outer surface of the bottom of the pan.

2–99 The inner and outer glasses of a 2-m × 2-m double pane window are at 18°C and 6°C, respectively. If the 1-cm space between the two glasses is filled with still air, determine the rate of heat transfer through the air layer by conduction, in kW.

2–100 Two surfaces of a 2-cm-thick plate are maintained at 0°C and 100°C, respectively. If it is determined that heat is transferred through the plate at a rate of 500 W/m², determine its thermal conductivity.

2–101 For heat transfer purposes, a standing man can be modeled as a 30-cm diameter, 170-cm long vertical cylinder with both the top and bottom surfaces insulated and with the side surface at an average temperature of 34°C. For a convection heat transfer coefficient of 15 W/m²·°C, determine the rate of heat loss from this man by convection in an environment at 20°C. Answer: 336 W

2–102 A 9-cm-diameter spherical ball whose surface is maintained at a temperature of 110°C is suspended in the middle of a room at 20°C. If the convection heat transfer coefficient is 15 W/m²·°C and the emissivity of the surface is 0.8, determine the total rate of heat transfer from the ball.

2–103 Reconsider Prob. 2–102. Using EES (or other) software, investigate the effect of the convection heat transfer coefficient and surface emissivity on the heat transfer rate from the ball. Let the heat transfer coefficient vary from 5 to 30 W/m²·°C. Plot the rate of heat transfer against the convection heat transfer coefficient for the surface emissivities of 0.1, 0.5, 0.8, and 1, and discuss the results.

2–104 Hot air at 80°C is blown over a 2-m × 4-m flat surface at 30°C. If the convection heat transfer coefficient is 55 W/m²·°C, determine the rate of heat transfer from the air to the plate, in kW.

2–105 A 1000-W iron is left on the ironing board with its base exposed to the air at 20°C. The convection heat transfer coefficient between the base surface and the surrounding air is 35 W/m²·°C. If the base has an emissivity of 0.6 and a surface area of 0.02 m², determine the temperature of the base of the iron.
2–106 A thin metal plate is insulated on the back and exposed to solar radiation on the front surface. The exposed surface of the plate has an absorptivity of 0.8 for solar radiation. If solar radiation is incident on the plate at a rate of 450 W/m² and the surrounding air temperature is 25°C, determine the surface temperature of the plate when the heat loss by convection equals the solar energy absorbed by the plate. Assume the convection heat transfer coefficient to be 50 W/m²·°C, and disregard heat loss by radiation.

2–107 Reconsider Prob. 2–106. Using EES (or other) software, investigate the effect of the convection heat transfer coefficient on the surface temperature of the plate. Let the heat transfer coefficient vary from 10 to 90 W/m²·°C. Plot the surface temperature against the convection heat transfer coefficient, and discuss the results.

2–108 A 5-cm-external-diameter, 10-m-long hot-water pipe at 80°C is losing heat to the surrounding air at 5°C by natural convection with a heat transfer coefficient of 25 W/m²·°C. Determine the rate of heat loss from the pipe by natural convection, in kW.

2–109 The outer surface of a spacecraft in space has an emissivity of 0.6 and an absorptivity of 0.2 for solar radiation. If solar radiation is incident on the spacecraft at a rate of 1000 W/m², determine the surface temperature of the spacecraft when the radiation emitted equals the solar energy absorbed.

2–110 Reconsider Prob. 2–109. Using EES (or other) software, investigate the effect of the surface emissivity and absorptivity of the spacecraft on the equilibrium surface temperature. Plot the surface temperature against emissivity for solar absorptivities of 0.1, 0.5, 0.8, and 1, and discuss the results.

2–111 A hollow spherical iron container whose outer diameter is 20 cm and thickness is 0.4 cm is filled with iced water at 0°C. If the outer surface temperature is 5°C, determine the approximate rate of heat loss from the sphere, and the rate at which ice melts in the container.

2–112 Consider a classroom for 55 students and one instructor, each generating heat at a rate of 100 W. Lighting is provided by 18 fluorescent lightbulbs, 40 W each, and the ballasts consume an additional 10 percent. Determine the rate of internal heat generation in this classroom when it is fully occupied.

2–113 Consider a homeowner who is replacing his 25-year-old natural gas furnace that has an efficiency of 55 percent. The homeowner is considering a conventional furnace that has an efficiency of 82 percent and costs $1600 and a high-efficiency furnace that has an efficiency of 95 percent and costs $2700. The homeowner would like to buy the high-efficiency furnace if the savings from the natural gas pay for the additional cost in less than 8 years. If the homeowner presently pays $1200 a year for heating, determine if he should buy the conventional or high-efficiency model.

2–114 Wind energy has been used since 4000 BC to power sailboats, grind grain, pump water for farms, and, more recently, generate electricity. In the United States alone, more than 6 million small windmills, most of them under 5 hp, have been used since the 1850s to pump water. Small windmills have been used to generate electricity since 1900, but the development of modern wind turbines occurred only recently in response to the energy crises in the early 1970s. The cost of wind power has dropped an order of magnitude from about $0.50/kWh in the early 1980s to about $0.05/kWh in the mid-1990s, which is about the price of electricity generated at coal-fired power plants. Areas with an average wind speed of 6 m/s (or 14 mph) are potential sites for economical wind power generation. Commercial wind turbines generate from 100 kW to 3.2 MW of electric power each at peak design conditions. The blade span (or rotor) diameter of the 3.2 MW wind turbine built by Boeing Engineering is 320 ft (97.5 m). The rotation speed of rotors of wind turbines is usually under 40 rpm (under 20 rpm for large turbines). Altamont Pass in California is the world’s largest wind farm with 15,000 modern wind turbines. This farm and two others in California produced 2.8 billion kWh of electricity in 1991, which is enough power to meet the electricity needs of San Francisco.
In 2008, 27,260 MW of new wind energy generating capacity were installed worldwide, bringing the world’s total wind energy capacity to 121,200 MW. The United States, Germany, Denmark, and Spain account for over 75 percent of current wind energy generating capacity worldwide. Denmark uses wind turbines to supply 10 percent of its national electricity.

Many wind turbines currently in operation have just two blades. This is because at tip speeds of 100 to 200 mph, the efficiency of the two-bladed turbine approaches the theoretical maximum, and the increase in the efficiency by adding a third or fourth blade is so little that they do not justify the added cost and weight.

Consider a wind turbine with an 80-m-diameter rotor that is rotating at 20 rpm under steady winds at an average velocity of 30 km/h. Assuming the turbine has an efficiency of 35 percent (i.e., it converts 35 percent of the kinetic energy of the wind to electricity), determine (a) the power produced, in kW; (b) the tip speed of the blade, in km/h; and (c) the revenue generated by the wind turbine per year if the electric power produced is sold to the utility at $0.06/kWh. Take the density of air to be 1.20 kg/m³.

2–115 Repeat Prob. 2–114 for an average wind velocity of 20 km/h.

2–116E The energy contents, unit costs, and typical conversion efficiencies of various energy sources for use in water heaters are given as follows: 1025 Btu/ft³, $0.012/ft³, and 55 percent for natural gas; 138,700 Btu/gal, $1.15/gal, and 55 percent for heating oil; and 1 kWh/kWh, $0.084/kWh, and 90 percent for electric heaters, respectively. Determine the lowest-cost energy source for water heaters.

2–117 A homeowner is considering these heating systems for heating his house: Electric resistance heating with $0.09/kWh and 1 kWh = 3600 kJ, gas heating with $1.24/therm and 1 therm = 105,500 kJ, and oil heating with $1.25/gal and 1 gal of oil = 138,500 kJ. Assuming efficiencies of 100 percent for the electric furnace and 87 percent for the gas and oil furnaces, determine the heating system with the lowest energy cost.

2–118 A typical household pays about $1200 a year on energy bills, and the U.S. Department of Energy estimates that 46 percent of this energy is used for heating and cooling, 15 percent for heating water, 15 percent for refrigeration and freezing, and the remaining 24 percent for lighting, cooking, and running other appliances. The heating and cooling costs of a poorly insulated house can be reduced by up to 30 percent by adding adequate insulation. If the cost of insulation is $200, determine how long it will take for the insulation to pay for itself from the energy it saves.

2–119 The U.S. Department of Energy estimates that up to 10 percent of the energy use of a house can be saved by caulking and weatherstripping doors and windows to reduce air leaks at a cost of about $60 for materials for an average home with 12 windows and 2 doors. Caulking and weatherstripping every gas-heated home properly would save enough energy to heat about 4 million homes. The savings can be increased by installing storm windows. Determine how long it will take for the caulking and weatherstripping to pay for itself from the energy they save for a house whose annual energy use is $1500.

2–120E The energy stored in the spring of a railroad car is 5000 lbf·ft. What is this energy in (a) lbm, ft, and s units; (b) lbf and yd units; and (c) lbm, mile, and hour units?

2–121E The force required to expand the gas in a gas spring a distance $x$ is given by

$$F = \frac{\text{Constant}}{x^3}$$

where the constant is determined by the geometry of this device and $k$ is determined by the gas used in the device. One such device has a constant of 200 lbf·in$^{-1.4}$ and $k = 1.4$. Determine the work, in Btu, required to compress this device from 1 in to 4 in. Answer: 0.0228 Btu

2–122E A man weighing 180 lbf pushes a block weighing 100 lbf along a horizontal plane. The dynamic coefficient of friction between the block and plane is 0.2. Assuming that the block is moving at constant speed, calculate the work required to move the block a distance of 100 ft considering (a) the man and (b) the block as the system. Express your answers in both lbf·ft and Btu.

2–123 A diesel engine with an engine volume of 4.0 L and an engine speed of 2500 rpm operates on an air–fuel ratio of
18 kg air/kg fuel. The engine uses light diesel fuel that contains 750 ppm (parts per million) of sulfur by mass. All of this sulfur is exhausted to the environment where the sulfur is converted to sulfuric acid (H$_2$SO$_4$). If the rate of the air entering the engine is 336 kg/h, determine the mass flow rate of sulfur in the exhaust. Also, determine the mass flow rate of sulfuric acid added to the environment if for each kmol of sulfur in the exhaust, one kmol sulfuric acid will be added to the environment.

2–124  Led gasoline contains lead that ends up in the engine exhaust. Lead is a very toxic engine emission. The use of leaded gasoline in the United States has been unlawful for most vehicles since the 1980s. However, leaded gasoline is still used in some parts of the world. Consider a city with 5,000 cars using leaded gasoline. The gasoline contains 0.15 g/L of lead and 35 percent of lead is exhausted to the environment. Assuming that an average car travels 15,000 km per year with a gasoline consumption of 8.5 L/100 km, determine the amount of lead put into the atmosphere per year in that city. Answer: 335 kg

2–125E  Water is pumped from a 200-ft-deep well into a 100-ft-high storage tank. Determine the power, in kW, that would be required to pump 200 gallons per minute.

2–126  A grist mill of the 1800s employed a water wheel that was 14 m high; 320 liters per minute of water flowed on to the wheel near the top. How much power, in kW, could this water wheel have produced? Answer: 0.732 kW

2–127  Windmills slow the air and cause it to fill a larger channel as it passes through the blades. Consider a circular windmill with a 7-m-diameter rotor in a 10 m/s wind on a day when the atmospheric pressure is 100 kPa and the temperature is 20°C. The wind speed behind the windmill is measured at 9 m/s. Determine the diameter of the wind channel downstream from the rotor and the power produced by this windmill, presuming that the air is incompressible.

2–128  In a hydroelectric power plant, 65 m$^3$/s of water flows from an elevation of 90 m to a turbine, where electric power is generated. The overall efficiency of the turbine–generator is 84 percent. Disregarding frictional losses in piping, estimate the electric power output of this plant. Answer: 48.2 MW

2–129  The demand for electric power is usually much higher during the day than it is at night, and utility companies often sell power at night at much lower prices to encourage consumers to use the available power generation capacity and to avoid building new expensive power plants that will be used only a short time during peak periods. Utilities are also willing to purchase power produced during the day from private parties at a high price.

Suppose a utility company is selling electric power for $0.03/kWh at night and is willing to pay $0.08/kWh for power produced during the day. To take advantage of this opportunity, an entrepreneur is considering building a large reservoir 40 m above the lake level, pumping water from the lake to the reservoir at night using cheap power, and letting the water flow from the reservoir back to the lake during the day, producing power as the pump–motor operates as a turbine–generator during reverse flow. Preliminary analysis shows that a water flow rate of 2 m$^3$/s can be used in either direction. The combined pump–motor and turbine–generator efficiencies are expected to be 75 percent each. Disregarding the frictional losses in piping and assuming the system operates for 10 h each in the pump and turbine modes during a typical day, determine the potential revenue this pump–turbine system can generate per year.
Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) Exam Problems

2–130  A 2-kW electric resistance heater in a room is turned on and kept on for 50 min. The amount of energy transferred to the room by the heater is

(a) 2 kJ  
(b) 100 kJ  
(c) 3000 kJ  
(d) 6000 kJ  
(e) 12,000 kJ

2–131  On a hot summer day, the air in a well-sealed room is circulated by a 0.50-hp fan driven by a 65 percent efficient motor. (Note that the motor delivers 0.50 hp of net shaft power to the fan.) The rate of energy supply from the fan–motor assembly to the room is

(a) 0.769 kJ/s  
(b) 0.325 kJ/s  
(c) 0.574 kJ/s  
(d) 0.373 kJ/s  
(e) 0.242 kJ/s

2–132  A fan is to accelerate quiescent air to a velocity to 12 m/s at a rate of 3 m³/min. If the density of air is 1.15 kg/m³, the minimum power that must be supplied to the fan is

(a) 248 W  
(b) 72 W  
(c) 497 W  
(d) 216 W  
(e) 162 W

2–133  A 900-kg car cruising at a constant speed of 60 km/s is to accelerate to 100 km/h in 4 s. The additional power needed to achieve this acceleration is

(a) 56 kW  
(b) 222 kW  
(c) 2.5 kW  
(d) 62 kW  
(e) 90 kW

2–134  The elevator of a large building is to raise a net mass of 400 kg at a constant speed of 12 m/s using an electric motor. Minimum power rating of the motor should be

(a) 0 kW  
(b) 4.8 kW  
(c) 47 kW  
(d) 12 kW  
(e) 36 kW

2–135  Electric power is to be generated in a hydroelectric power plant that receives water at a rate of 70 m³/s from an elevation of 65 m using a turbine–generator with an efficiency of 85 percent. When frictional losses in piping are disregarded, the electric power output of this plant is

(a) 3.9 MW  
(b) 38 MW  
(c) 45 MW  
(d) 53 MW  
(e) 65 MW

2–136  A 75-hp compressor in a facility that operates at full load for 2500 h a year is powered by an electric motor that has an efficiency of 93 percent. If the unit cost of electricity is $0.06/kWh, the annual electricity cost of this compressor is

(a) $7802  
(b) $9021  
(c) $12,100  
(d) $8389  
(e) $10,460

2–137  Consider a refrigerator that consumes 320 W of electric power when it is running. If the refrigerator runs only one quarter of the time and the unit cost of electricity is $0.09/kWh, the electricity cost of this refrigerator per month (30 days) is

(a) $3.56  
(b) $5.18  
(c) $8.54  
(d) $9.28  
(e) $20.74

2–138  A 2-kW pump is used to pump kerosene (ρ = 0.820 kg/L) from a tank on the ground to a tank at a higher elevation. Both tanks are open to the atmosphere, and the elevation difference between the free surfaces of the tanks is 30 m. The maximum volume flow rate of kerosene is

(a) 8.3 L/s  
(b) 7.2 L/s  
(c) 6.8 L/s  
(d) 12.1 L/s  
(e) 17.8 L/s

2–139  A glycerin pump is powered by a 5-kW electric motor. The pressure differential between the outlet and the inlet of the pump at full load is measured to be 211 kPa. If the flow rate through the pump is 18 L/s and the changes in elevation and the flow velocity across the pump are negligible, the overall efficiency of the pump is

(a) 69 percent  
(b) 72 percent  
(c) 76 percent  
(d) 79 percent  
(e) 82 percent

The Following Problems Are Based on the Optional Special Topic of Heat Transfer

2–140  A 10-cm high and 20-cm wide circuit board houses on its surface 100 closely spaced chips, each generating heat at a rate of 0.08 W and transferring it by convection to the surrounding air at 25°C. Heat transfer from the back surface of the board is negligible. If the convection heat transfer coefficient on the surface of the board is 10 W/m²·°C and radiation heat transfer is negligible, the average surface temperature of the chips is

(a) 26°C  
(b) 45°C  
(c) 15°C  
(d) 80°C  
(e) 65°C

2–141  A 50-cm-long, 0.2-cm-diameter electric resistance wire submerged in water is used to determine the boiling heat transfer coefficient in water at 1 atm experimentally. The surface temperature of the wire is measured to be 130°C when a
A 3-m² hot black surface at 80°C is losing heat to the surrounding air at 25°C by convection with a convection heat transfer coefficient of 12 W/m²·°C, and by radiation to the surrounding surfaces at 15°C. The total rate of heat loss from the surface is

(a) 43.500 W/m²·°C  
(b) 137 W/m²·°C  
(c) 68.330 W/m²·°C  
(d) 10.038 W/m²·°C  
(e) 37.540 W/m²·°C

2-142 A 3-m² hot black surface at 80°C is losing heat to the surrounding air at 25°C by convection with a convection heat transfer coefficient of 12 W/m²·°C, and by radiation to the surrounding surfaces at 15°C. The total rate of heat loss from the surface is

(a) 1987 W  
(b) 2239 W  
(c) 2348 W  
(d) 3451 W  
(e) 3811 W

2-143 Heat is transferred steadily through a 0.2-m thick 8 m × 4 m wall at a rate of 2.4 kW. The inner and outer surface temperatures of the wall are measured to be 15°C and 5°C. The average thermal conductivity of the wall is

(a) 0.002 W/m·°C  
(b) 0.75 W/m·°C  
(c) 1.0 W/m·°C  
(d) 1.5 W/m·°C  
(e) 3.0 W/m·°C

2-144 The roof of an electrically heated house is 7-m long, 10-m wide, and 0.25-m thick. It is made of a flat layer of concrete whose thermal conductivity is 0.92 W/m·°C. During a certain winter night, the temperatures of the inner and outer surfaces of the roof are measured to be 15°C and 4°C, respectively. The average rate of heat loss through the roof that night was

(a) 41 W  
(b) 177 W  
(c) 4894 W  
(d) 5567 W  
(e) 2834 W

Design and Essay Problems

2-145 Conduct a literature survey that reviews that concepts of thermal pollution and its current state of the art.

2-146 An average vehicle puts out nearly 20 lbm of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere for every gallon of gasoline it burns, and thus one thing we can do to reduce global warming is to buy a vehicle with higher fuel economy. A U.S. government publication states that a vehicle that gets 25 rather than 20 miles per gallon will prevent 10 tons of carbon dioxide from being released over the lifetime of the vehicle. Making reasonable assumptions, evaluate if this is a reasonable claim or a gross exaggeration.

2-147 Solar energy reaching the earth is about 1350 W/m² outside the earth’s atmosphere, and 950 W/m² on earth’s surface normal to the sun on a clear day. Someone is marketing 2 m × 3 m photovoltaic cell panels with the claim that a single panel can meet the electricity needs of a house. How do you evaluate this claim? Photovoltaic cells have a conversion efficiency of about 15 percent.

2-148 Find out the prices of heating oil, natural gas, and electricity in your area, and determine the cost of each per kWh of energy supplied to the house as heat. Go through your utility bills and determine how much money you spent for heating last January. Also determine how much your January heating bill would be for each of the heating systems if you had the latest and most efficient system installed.

2-149 Prepare a report on the heating systems available in your area for residential buildings. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each system and compare their initial and operating costs. What are the important factors in the selection of a heating system? Give some guidelines. Identify the conditions under which each heating system would be the best choice in your area.

2-150 The performance of a device is defined as the ratio of the desired output to the required input, and this definition can be extended to non-technical fields. For example, your performance in this course can be viewed as the grade you earn relative to the effort you put in. If you have been investing a lot of time in this course and your grades do not reflect it, you are performing poorly. In that case, perhaps you should try to find out the underlying cause and how to correct the problem. Give three other definitions of performance from non-technical fields and discuss them.

2-151 An electrical-generation utility sometimes pumps liquid water into an elevated reservoir during periods of low electrical consumption. This water is used to generate electricity during periods when the demand for electricity exceeds the utility’s ability to produce electricity. Discuss this energy-storage scheme from a conversion efficiency perspective as compared to storing a compressed phase-changing substance.

2-152 Some engineers have suggested that air compressed into tanks can be used to propel personal transportation vehicles. Current compressed-air tank technology permits us to compress and safely hold air at up to 4000 psia. Tanks made of composite materials require about 10 lbm of construction materials for each 1 ft³ of stored gas. Approximately 0.01 hp is required per pound of vehicle weight to move a vehicle at a speed of 30 miles per hour. What is the maximum range that this vehicle can have? Account for the weight of the tanks only and assume perfect conversion of the energy in the compressed air.