

# Special Relativity

$$\underbrace{\beta = \frac{v}{c}}_{\text{speed}}$$

$$\underbrace{\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\frac{v^2}{c^2}}}}_{\text{Lorentz gamma factor}}$$

$$L = \frac{L_0}{\gamma} \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{L_0}{\gamma}} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{length contraction} \\ L_0: \text{proper length} \end{array}$$

$$T = \gamma T_0 \quad \left. \vphantom{\gamma T_0} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{time dilation} \\ T_0: \text{proper time} \end{array}$$

$$E_0 = m_0 c^2$$

$m_0$ : rest mass

$E_0$ : rest energy

$$E = \gamma E_0 : \text{total relativistic energy}$$

$$K = (\gamma - 1) E_0 : \text{relativistic kinetic en.}$$

$$\vec{p} = \gamma m_0 \vec{u} : \text{relativistic momentum}$$

$$E^2 = p^2 c^2 + m_0^2 c^4$$

$$\frac{p}{E} = \frac{\beta}{c}$$

Relativistic velocity addition  
(in the longitudinal direction):

$$u = \frac{v + u'}{1 + \frac{vu'}{c^2}}$$

$$\beta = \frac{\beta + \beta'}{1 + \beta\beta'}$$

## Special Relativity 2.

Relativistic Doppler effect  
(in the longitudinal direction):

$$f_{\uparrow} = f_0 \sqrt{\frac{c+v}{c-v}} = \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}}$$

$$f_{\downarrow} = f_0 \sqrt{\frac{c-v}{c+v}} = \sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}}$$

$$c = 3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s} \quad (299,792,458 \text{ m/s})$$

$$c = \lambda \cdot f$$

# Thermodynamics 1.

## Temperature scales:

$$T_K = T_c + 273.15$$

$$(T_c = \frac{5}{9}(T_F - 32) ; T_F = \frac{9}{5}T_c + 32)$$

## Thermal expansion:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \Delta L = \alpha \cdot L_0 \cdot \Delta T : \text{linear} \\ \Delta V = \beta \cdot V_0 \cdot \Delta T : \text{volumetric} \end{array} \right\} \beta = 3\alpha$$

$\Delta T$  is in K or  $^{\circ}C$  NOT in  $^{\circ}F$

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## Ideal gas law:

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} pV = nRT \\ \text{or} \\ pV = Nk_B T \end{array}}$$

$$R = 8.31 \text{ J/(molK)}$$

$$k_B = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$$

$$N_A = 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ 1/mol}$$

$$nR = Nk_B \text{ therefore } \boxed{R = N_A \cdot k_B}$$

$n$ : amount of substance in mol

$N$ : number of atoms or molecules in 1

$m$ : mass of one particle in kg

$M$ : mass of one mole substance

or molar mass in kg/mol

$$\boxed{m \cdot N = n \cdot M} \left. \vphantom{\boxed{m \cdot N = n \cdot M}} \right\} \text{mass of the system}$$

## Thermodynamics 2.

STP: standard temperature and pressure:

$$T = 0^\circ\text{C} = 273\text{K}$$

$$p = 1\text{atm} = 101.3\text{ kPa} = 1.013 \times 10^5\text{ Pa}$$

If  $n = 1\text{mol}$ , then  $pV = nRT$  gives

$$V = 0.0224\text{ m}^3 = 22.4\text{ l} : \text{molar volume}$$

Kinetic theory:

$$v_{\text{RMS}} = \sqrt{\frac{3k_B T}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}} \quad \left. \vphantom{\sqrt{\frac{3k_B T}{m}}} \right\} \text{this formula}$$

has always 3 in it, because:

$$\bar{E}_{\text{translation}} = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{2} k_B T = \frac{3}{2} k_B T$$

↑  
x, y and z directions

But:

$$\bar{E} = \frac{f}{2} k_B T ; \quad f = \begin{cases} 3 : \text{monoatomic} \\ 5 : \text{diatomic or linear} \\ 6 : \text{polyatomic} \end{cases}$$

$U = E_{\text{th}} = N \cdot \bar{E} = \frac{f}{2} N k_B T = \frac{f}{2} nRT$  : internal  
or thermal energy of the gas containing  
 $N$  atoms or molecules.

# Thermodynamics 3.

## Heat:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} Q = C \cdot \Delta T \quad ; \quad C: \text{heat capacity} \\ Q = c \cdot m \cdot \Delta T \quad ; \quad c: \text{specific heat} \end{array} \right\} c = \frac{C}{m}$$

$$1 \text{ cal} = 4.1868 \text{ J} \quad 1 \text{ Cal} = 1 \text{ kcal} = 4186.8 \text{ J}$$

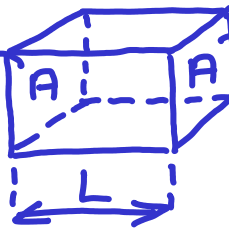
## Phase transitions or transformations:

solid-liquid:  $Q = L_F \cdot m$ ;  $L_F$  = heat of fusion

liquid-gas:  $Q = L_V \cdot m$ ;  $L_V$  = heat of vaporization

## Heat conduction:

$$Q = k \cdot \frac{A}{L} \cdot \Delta T \cdot t; \quad T_{\text{low}} \quad \text{---} \quad \text{---} \quad T_{\text{high}}$$
$$P = Q/t; \quad \Delta T = T_{\text{high}} - T_{\text{low}}$$



## Heat radiation:

$$P = \sigma \epsilon A T^4 \quad ; \quad \sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2 \text{K}^4)$$

$$\lambda_{\text{max}} \cdot T = b \quad ; \quad b = 2.898 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} \cdot \text{K}$$

black-body:  $a=1$  and  $\epsilon=1$

(Heat convection: way too complicated  
Hot fluid rises.)

# Thermodynamics 4.

First Law:  $\Delta U = Q + W$  }  $W_{\text{gas}} = -W$   
 $Q_{\text{gas}} = -Q$

$W$  is the work done ON the system (gas).

$Q$  is the heat transferred To the system (gas).

Second Law:  $\frac{Q}{T} \leq \Delta S$  : the entropy of a closed system cannot decrease.

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Molar heats for ideal gases:

$Q = C_V \cdot n \Delta T$  : at constant volume

$Q = C_P \cdot n \Delta T$  : at constant pressure

$$C_V = \frac{f}{2} R ; C_P = \frac{f+2}{2} R = C_V + R$$

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Ideal Gas processes:

→ isothermal: constant  $T \leftrightarrow \Delta U = 0$

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

→ isobaric: constant  $p$

$$V_1 / T_1 = V_2 / T_2$$

→ isochoric: constant  $V \leftrightarrow W = 0$

$$P_1 / T_1 = P_2 / T_2$$

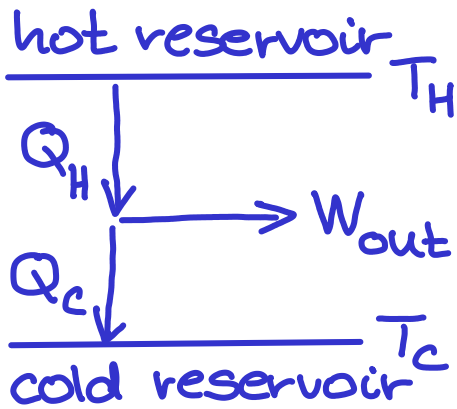
→ adiabatic:  $Q = 0 \leftrightarrow$  constant  $S$

$$P_1 V_1^\gamma = P_2 V_2^\gamma ; \gamma = C_P / C_V = \frac{f+2}{f}$$

(isocaloric, iso-entropic or isentropic)

# Thermodynamics 5.

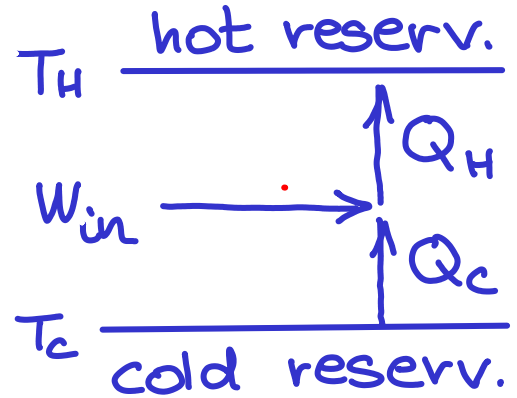
Heat engines



$$Q_H = W + Q_C$$

conservation  
of energy

refrigerators  
heat pump



The efficiency:

The coefficient of performance:

Engine:

$$\eta = \frac{W_{out}}{Q_H} = \frac{T_H - T_C}{T_H}$$

$$0 \leq \eta < 1$$

Refrigerator:

$$\kappa = \frac{Q_C}{W_{in}} = \frac{T_C}{T_H - T_C}$$

Heat pump:

$$\kappa = \frac{Q_H}{W_{in}} = \frac{T_H}{T_H - T_C}$$

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# Quantum Physics 1.

## Black-body radiation:

Wien's displacement law:

$$\lambda_{\max} \cdot T = b$$
$$\rightarrow b = 2.898 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ m} \cdot \text{K}$$

Stefan-Boltzmann law:

$$P = \sigma \epsilon A T^4 ; 0 \leq \epsilon \leq 1 : \text{emissivity}$$

$\epsilon = 1$  for black body

$$\rightarrow \sigma = 5.6705 \cdot 10^{-8} \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2 \text{K}^4}$$

Planck's radiation curve:

$$I_{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi c^2 h}{\lambda^5} \cdot \frac{1}{e^{\frac{hc}{\lambda k_B T}} - 1}$$

$$I_f = \frac{2\pi h}{c^2} \cdot \frac{f^3}{e^{\frac{hf}{k_B T}} - 1}$$

Key assumption: energy quantum:

$$\Delta E = h \cdot f$$

$$\rightarrow h = 6.6261 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$$

Planck constant



## Quantum Physics 2.

Rydberg formula for the H-atom:

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = R_H \left( \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{k^2} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} n=1,2,3,4,\dots \\ k > n \end{array}$$

$$\hookrightarrow R_H = 1.096776 \cdot 10^7 \text{ 1/m}$$

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Einstein's formula for the photo-electric effect:

$$hf = \phi + eV_0 \quad \phi: \text{work function}$$

$$hf = \phi + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \quad V_0: \text{stopping pot.}$$

$\frac{1}{2}mv^2$ : kinetic energy of the photo-electron, small, only a couple of eV.

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X-ray production by bremsstrahlung:

$$eV_0 = h \cdot f_{\max} = \frac{hc}{\lambda_{\min}} \quad (c = \lambda \cdot f)$$

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Compton-effect: **Energy conservation:**  $hf + m_e c^2 = hf' + E_e$ ;  $f = \frac{c}{\lambda}$   
 $\Delta\lambda = \lambda' - \lambda = \frac{h}{m_e c} (1 - \cos\theta)$ ;  $E_e = K + m_e c^2$

Compton wavelength:

$$\lambda_c = \frac{h}{m_e c} = \frac{hc}{m_e c^2} = \frac{1240 \text{ eV nm}}{511,000 \text{ eV}} = 2.4263 \text{ pm}$$

# Quantum Physics 3.

## Photon :

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} E = hf \\ c = \lambda f \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow E = \frac{hc}{\lambda} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ E^2 = p^2 c^2 \Rightarrow E = pc \Rightarrow p = \frac{E}{c} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow p = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

De Broglie : electron wave/matter wave:

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} : \text{de Broglie wavelength}$$

Bragg's law:

$$n \cdot \lambda = 2d \cdot \sin \theta \quad n = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

Bohr model:

$$E_{n,z} = - \frac{z^2}{n^2} \cdot E_0 ; E_0 = 13.6 \text{ eV}$$

$$r_{n,z} = \frac{n^2}{z} \cdot a_0 ; a_0 = 0.529 \text{ \AA}$$

$$\beta_{n,z} = \frac{z}{n} \cdot \alpha ; \alpha \approx \frac{1}{137}$$

$E_0$  : ionization energy of the Hydrogen atom

$a_0$  : Bohr radius

$\alpha$  : fine structure constant

# Wave mechanics 1.

Schrödinger equation (time indep.):

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \cdot \frac{d^2 \Psi(x)}{dx^2} + V(x) \cdot \Psi(x) = E \cdot \Psi(x)$$

$E \in \mathbb{R}$  : energy of the system

Normalization:

$$1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Psi|^2 dx$$

Probability density:  $S(x) = |\Psi(x)|^2$

Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle:

$$\Delta x \cdot \Delta p_x \geq \hbar/2$$

$$\Delta y \cdot \Delta p_y \geq \hbar/2$$

$$\Delta z \cdot \Delta p_z \geq \hbar/2$$

$$\Delta t \cdot \Delta E \geq \hbar/2$$

$$\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi}$$

It holds for conjugated parameters.

## Wave mechanics 2.

### Infinite square well

One dimension:

$$\Psi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right); \quad n=1,2,3,\dots$$

$$E_n = n^2 \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2} = n^2 \cdot \frac{\hbar^2}{8mL^2} = n^2 \cdot E_1$$

Three dimensions:

$$E_{n_1, n_2, n_3} = \frac{\hbar^2}{8m} \left( \frac{n_1^2}{L_1^2} + \frac{n_2^2}{L_2^2} + \frac{n_3^2}{L_3^2} \right)$$

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### Simple Harmonic Oscillator:

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2} k x^2 \quad (k: \text{spring constant})$$

$$E_n = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hbar \omega = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hbar f; \quad n=0,1,2,\dots$$

$$E_0 = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega : \text{zero point energy}$$

## Atom's orbitals

Shell $n$	subshell	$l$	$m_l$	# of orbitals	# of $e^-$
$n=1$ K	1s	0	0	1	2
$n=2$ L	2s 2p	0 1	0 -1, 0, 1	$\left. \begin{smallmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{smallmatrix} \right] 4$	8
$n=3$ M	3s 3p 3d	0 1 2	0 -1, 0, 1 -2, -1, 0, 1, 2	$\left. \begin{smallmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{smallmatrix} \right] 9$	18
$n=4$ N	4s 4p 4d 4f	0 1 2 3	0 -1, 0, 1 -2, -1, 0, 1, 2 -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3	$\left. \begin{smallmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{smallmatrix} \right] 16$	32
$n=5$ O	5s 5p 5d 5f 5g	0 1 2 3 4	0 -1, 0, 1 -2, -1, 0, 1, 2 -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3 -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4	$\left. \begin{smallmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \\ 7 \\ 9 \end{smallmatrix} \right] 25$	50

$$n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (K, L, M, N, O, P, \dots)$$

$$l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, (n-1) \quad (s, p, d, f, g, h, \dots)$$

$$m_l = -l, \dots, 0, \dots, l \quad : \quad \# : (2l+1)$$

$$m_s = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$$L = |\vec{L}| = \sqrt{l(l+1)} \cdot \hbar$$

Shell  $n$  has  $n$  different subshells,  
 $n^2$  orbits and  $2n^2$  electrons.

# Spectroscopic symbols

$$n^M L_J$$

$n$ : principal quantum number  
(often dropped)

$L$ : orbital angular momentum  
(S, P, D, F, G, H)

$M$ : multiplicity of the state  
 $M = 2S + 1$ ;  $S$ : spin q.n.

$J$ : total angular momentum  
quantum number

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Examples:

Hydrogen ground state:

$$\boxed{\uparrow} : 1^2 S_{1/2} \text{ or } ^2 S_{1/2}$$

$1s^1$

Helium ground state:

$$\boxed{\uparrow\downarrow} : 1^1 S_0 \text{ or } ^1 S_0$$

$1s^2$

# Nuclear physics

Notation:  ${}^A_Z X_N$  ;  $A = Z + N$

$\alpha, \beta^+, \beta^-, \tau, p, n, d, t$

Nuclear radius:  $R = r_0 \cdot A^{1/3}$  ;  $r_0 = 1.2 \text{ fm}$

Binding energy:

$$B({}^A_Z X_N) = [Z \cdot M({}^1_1\text{H}) + N \cdot m_N - M({}^A_Z X_N)] c^2$$

$$1 \text{ AMU} = 1u = \frac{1}{12} M({}^{12}_6\text{C}_6)$$

$$1 \text{ AMU} = 931.494061 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

Radioactivity:

$$N = N_0 \cdot e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$N = N_0 \cdot e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$N = N_0 \cdot 2^{-t/T_{1/2}}$$

$$R = R_0 \cdot e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$R = R_0 \cdot e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$R = R_0 \cdot 2^{-t/T_{1/2}}$$

$$R = \lambda \cdot N$$

$$R_0 = \lambda \cdot N_0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{\tau} ; T_{1/2} = \ln 2 \cdot \tau ; \ln 2 = 0.6931$$

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Q-value: initial minus final  
mass-energy  $Q = \left( \sum_i m_i - \sum_f m_f \right) c^2$