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MENG449 INTRODUCTION TO ENERGY MANAGEMENT

Chapter 2 – Energy Fundamentals

Coverage:

- Definition of thermodynamic system
- Heat transfer essentials
- Energy equation for closed systems
- Steady flow energy equation
- Thermal comfort
- Environmental impact of fuels
- Electric energy and power
- Unit conversions

Conservation of energy principle (First law of thermodynamics)

During a process, energy can change from one state to another but that the total amount of energy remains constant. (Energy can not be created or destroyed)



Basic dimensions and their units

Basic dimensions	Mass(m)	Length(L)	Time(t)
SI units	Kilogram (kg)	Meter (m)	Second (s)
English units	Pound-mass (Ibm)	Foot (ft)	Second (s or sec)

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1 lbm = 0.45359 kg 1 ft = 0.3048 m

Units derived from basic dimensions

 $Force = Mass \times Acceleration$ $F = m(kg) \times a(m/s^2)$ In SI units the unit for forcein Newtons (N) In English units, Pound - force(lbf) Work = Force × Distance $W = F(N) \times d(m)$ In SI units the unit of work is Joules(J) In English units, British Thermal Units (Btu) Energy has the same units as Work. 1 Btu = 1.055 kJ

Forms of energy

- thermal, mechanical, kinetic, potential, electric, magnetic, chemical, nuclear....What else?
- Total energy in a process:

E = the sum of all forms of energy

- Thermodynamics deals with the change of energy instead of its absolute value.
- It is appropriate to assign the total energy of a system a value of zero (*E*=0) at some convenient reference point.

Forms of energy

Kinetik energy

 $KE = \frac{mv^2}{2} \quad \text{(kJ)}$ Rate of kinetic energy: $\dot{KE} = \frac{\dot{m}v^2}{2} \quad \text{(kJ/s) or (kW)}$

Internal energy

U (kJ)

is related to the degree of activity of molecules in a system

 $\rightarrow \Delta U = mC_{\rm V}\Delta T$

Potential energy $PE = m \times g \times z$ (kJ) Rate of potential energy: $PE = \dot{m} \times g \times z$ (kJ/s) or (kW)

Nomencature:

- *KE* : kinetic energy (kJ)
- PE: potential energy (kJ)
- U : internal energy (kJ)
- m : mass (kg)
- \dot{m} : mass flow rate (kg/s)
- v :velocity(m/s)
- g : gravitational acceleration (m/s²)
- z : elevation from a referencepoint (m)
- C_v : specificheat capacity at constant volume (kJ/kgK)
- *T* : Temperature

Defining a System

- By defining a system we establish the *surroundings* of the system.
- The surface that separates the system from the surroundings is known as the *boundary*.

SYSTEM

SURROUNDINGS or ENVIRONMENT

SYSTEM BOUNDARY

Thermodynamic System



Energy transfer by work



- The energy transfer associated with a force acting through a distance is called *Work*
- Work = Force x Distance
- Unlike *heat* it is an energy interaction which is not caused by a temperature difference between a system and its surroundings
- A rising piston, a rotating shaft, and an electric wire crossing the system boundaries are all associated with work interactions
- Moving a positive charge from one place to another requires work (i.e., electrical work)

Energy transfer by heat

- When a thermodynamic system undergoes a process from one equilibrium state to another, a finite amount of heat energy is exchanged with the surroundings.
- *Heat* is a form of energy that can be transferred from one system to another as a result of temperature difference.
- The science that deals with the determination of the *rates* of such energy transfers is the *heat transfer*.



Temperature is the driving force of heat transfer.

Heat transfer mechanisms

- Heat can be transferred in three basic modes:
 - conduction
 - convection
 - radiation
- All modes of heat transfer require the existence of a temperature difference.



Conduction

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Rate of heat conduction ∝

(Area)(Temperature difference) Thickness

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$$\dot{Q}_{\text{cond}} = kA \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\Delta x} = -kA \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta x} \qquad (W)$$

 $0 \mapsto x$ Heat conduction through a large plane wall of thickness Δx and area A.

 $\Delta x -$

 T_1

A

Thermal conductivity

The **thermal conductivity** of a material is a measure of the ability of the material to conduct heat.

 T_2

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Thermal Conductivity of some materials at room temperature

Material	k, W/m ⋅ °C*
Diamond	2300
Silver	429
Copper	401
Gold	317
Aluminum	237
Iron	80.2
Mercury (I)	8.54
Glass	0.78
Brick	0.72
Water (I)	0.613
Human skin	0.37
Wood (oak)	0.17
Helium (g)	0.152
Soft rubber	0.13
Glass fiber	0.043
Air (g)	0.026
Urethane, rigid foam	0.026

*Multiply by 0.5778 to convert to Btu/h · ft · °F.

Heat capacity of a material

- Specific heat capacity of a substance is the energy required to raise the temperature of a unit of a substance by one degree.
- $C_v =$ specific heat at constant volume
- C_p = specific heat at constant pressure.



 $C_{p} > C_{v}$

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(1)

Because at constant pressure, the energy required for expansion work must also be supplied to system.

Heat capacity of a material

- Specific heat capacity (C_p) of a substance is a measure of energy storage capability of a material in J/kg.°C.
- The product \(\rho C_p\) is known as the heat capacity of a material. It represents energy storage capability of a material in J/m³.°C



Thermal diffusivity of a material

- Represents how fast heat diffuses through a material
- Definition of thermal diffusivity:

$$\alpha = \frac{Heat \ conducted}{Heat \ stored} = \frac{k}{\rho C_p} \qquad (m^{2}/s)$$

- The larger the thermal diffusivity, the faster the propagation of heat into the medium
- A small value of thermal diffusivity means that heat is mostly absorbed by the material and a small amount of heat will be conducted

Convection



- Convection is the mode of heat transfer between a solid surface and the adjacent liquid or gas that is in motion.
- It involves the integrated effects of both conduction and fluid motion.
- The faster the fluid motion, the greater the convection heat transfer.
- If the fluid adjacent to a solid is not moving the heat transfer mode is pure conduction.

Convection

Newton's law of cooling:

$$Q_{conv} = h \times A_s \times (T_s - T_{\infty}) \tag{W}$$

Surface area Surface temperature

h is the convection heat transfer coefficient (W/m2
 °C or Btu/h ·ft2 ·°F). Some typical values are given as:

Type of convection	<i>h</i> , W/m².ºC	11 manual states and the second
Free convection of gases	2 – 25	
Free convection of Iquids	10 – 1000	Multiply by 0.176
Forced convection of gases	25 – 250	Btu/h.ft ² .ºF
Forced convection of liquids	50 – 20,000	
Boiling and condensation	2500 – 100,000	19

- The heat energy emitted by objects in the form of electromagnetic waves or photons is known as radiation
- In heat transfer, radiation is driven by temperature of the bodies and it is independent of medium.
- In a solid, radiation originates from the surface.



- The maximum rate of radiation that can be emitted from a surface at an absolute temperature is known as blackbody radiation.
- Blackbody radiation is emitted by idealized surfaces.

Stefan–Boltzmann Law: $\dot{Q}_{\text{emit, max}} = \sigma A_s T_s^4$

Stefan–Boltzmann constant (σ = 5.67×10⁸ W/m²·K⁴)

Area,
$$A_s$$

Temperature, T_s
 $\dot{Q}_{emit, max}$

Emissivity of	of some	materials	at 300K
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Material	Emissivity	
Aluminum foil	0.07	
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Polished copper	0.03	
Polished gold	0.03	
Polished silver	0.02	
Polished stainless steel	0.17	
Black paint	0.98	
White paint	0.90	
White paper	0.92-0.97	
Asphalt pavement	0.85-0.93	
Red brick	0.93-0.96	
Human skin	0.95	
Wood	0.82-0.92	
Soil	0.93-0.96	
Water	0.96	
Vegetation	0.92-0.96	

Emissivity

- Radiation emitted by real surfaces is less than that of emitted by a blackbody at the same temperature.
- Emissivity: $0 \ge \varepsilon \le 1$, indicates how close a material is to blackbody



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Absorptivity of some materials at 300K

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Absorptivity

- It is the fraction of the radiation energy incident on a surface that is absorbed by a surface.
- According to the **Kirchhoff's law** the emissivity and the absorptivity of a surface at a given temperature and wavelength are equal.

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{ref}} = (1 - \alpha)\dot{Q}_{\text{incident}}$$

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$$\dot{Q}_{\text{abs}} = \alpha\dot{Q}_{\text{incident}}$$

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- Radiation heat transfer between a surface and a very large (black) surface surrounding it is shown below.
- Air in between does not intervene with radiation
- Net rate of radiation heat transfer is given by:



Effect of radiation on thermal comfort



Effect of radiation on thermal comfort



Heat loss through a wall

Rate of heat transfer through a wall made up of two different materials:



Energy equation of closed systems in thermodynamics

- Energy can cross the boundary in two forms: *Heat* and *work*.
- Mass of the system is constant.

Net energy transfer to (or from) the system $\rightarrow =$ as heat and work



 $Q - W = \Delta E = \Delta U + \Delta KE + \Delta PE$

of the system

 $= (U_2 - U_1) + m \frac{(\mathcal{V}_2)^2 - (\mathcal{V}_1)^2}{2} + mg(z_2 - z_1)$

Steady flow energy equation (SFEE) of open systems in thermodynamics



Steady flow energy equation (SFEE) of open systems in thermodynamics <u>Ex: STEAM TURBINE</u> Mass (and energy) in

Conservation of mass principle for steady flow:

 $\rightarrow \dot{m}_1 = \dot{m}_2 = \dot{m}$

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Steady flow energy equation for single stream flow:

Mass (and
energy) in
Steam
Turbine
Heat
$$\Delta E_{CV} = 0$$

Heat
 ΔE_{1}

$$\rightarrow \dot{Q} - \dot{W} = \dot{m} \left\{ (h_2 - h_1) + \frac{{v_2}^2 - {v_1}^2}{2} + g(z_2 - z_1) \right\}$$

1 = inlet, 2 = exit

Heat loss, kinetic energy and potential energy changes are negligible, therefore:

$$\rightarrow \dot{Q} - \dot{W} = \dot{m} \left(h_2 - h_1 \right)$$

Thermal comfort

- Six factors affecting thermal comfort:
 - Air temperature
 - Mean radiant temperature (surface temperature)
 - Air velocity
 - Relative humidity
 - Clothing
 - Activity

Thermal comfort is best between 40% – 60% Radiation to and from surfaces in a building

Heat is lost from the skin by radiation, convection and evaporation

Thermal comfort



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Fuels and combustion

- Fuels contain one or more of the following elements:
 - carbon
 - hydrogen
 - sulphur
- In reaction with oxygen during combustion these elements produce thermal energy
- The amount of thermal energy produced during combustion is called calorific value.

Fuels and combustion

Combustion of carbon

 $C + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + \text{energy}$

 Carbon has an energy content of 32,793 kJ/kg

Combustion of hydrogen

 $H_2 + 2O_2 \rightarrow 2H_2O + \text{energy}$

• Hydrogen has an energy content of 142,920 kJ/kg

Combustion of sulphur

 $S + O_2 \rightarrow SO_2 + \text{energy}$

 Sulphur has an energy content of 9,300 kJ/kg



Fuel	Calorific value (MJ/kg)	CO ₂ (kg/kg fuel)	CO ₂ /Energy (kg/kWh)	CO ₂ /Energy (kg/MJ)	SO ₂ (kg/kg fuel)
Coal	26	2.361	0.309	0.091	0.018
Oil	42	3.153	0.263	0.075	0.040
Natural gas	55	2.750	0.179	0.055	0

Source: Tarik Al-Shemmeri. Energy Audits: A workbook for energy management in buildings (2011) 35 Wiley-Blackwell.

Electric power

- Electric power is the rate at which electrical energy is transferred by an electric circuit.
- The SI unit of **electric energy** is joule or watt-hour
- The SI unit of **power** is watt, one joule per second.

Electrical energy: $W_{el} = V \times I \times t$ Voltage Current Electrical power: $\dot{W}_{el} = V \times I$



Units of electrical energy

- The watt (W) is a physical unit which is named after James Watt, the inventor of the steam engine.
- The basic unit of electrical energy is the watt-hour, or Wh.

Energy

- 1 Wh = 3600 Joules 1 kWh = 1000 Wh = 3600000 Joules = 3.6 MJ
- 1 MWh = 1000 kWh
- 1 GWh = 1000 MWh

Power 1 kW = 1000 W 1 MW = 1000 kW How much power can fuels produce in a power plant?

One barrel of oil

Can produce
 approximately 550 kWh



One kg of coal

 Can produce approximately 2 kWh



Generially estimated from: $\dot{W}_{el} = \eta_{pp} \times \dot{m}_f \times HV$

Word and numerical equivalent

- One J = 1 J.
- One thousand J = 1000 J = 10³ J = 1 kJ
- One million J= 1,000,000 J = 10⁶ J = 1 MJ
- One billion J = 1,000,000,000 = 10⁹J = 1 GJ

Energy conversion unit table (T-1)

1 kWh	3.6 MJ
1 m ³ LPG	25.56 GJ
1 kg #2 fuel oil	43.3 MJ
1 m ³ natural gas	37 MJ
1 m ³ #2 fuel oil	39.85 GJ
1 litre LPG gas	7.1 kWh
1 kg LPG gas	12.68 kWh
1 litre #2 fuel oil	11.07 kWh
1 kg #2 fuel oil	12.03 kWh

Energy unit conversion and railroad track method

- Since we have several different basic energy units and many different energy unit multipliers, energy managers must often convert from one set of energy units to another. There is a very systematic approach that can be applied to basic conversions, and also to more complex conversions and calculations.
- The principle of this unit conversion method is simply to carry out algebraically correct multiplications and divisions using correct units at each step, starting with the given piece of information and transforming it into the desired units using one or more conversion factors.

 For example, if we want to find the number (X) of Joules in 1000 cubic metres of natural gas, we can use this method as follows:

X GJ of gas = $\frac{1000 \text{ m}^3}{\text{m}^3}$ $\frac{37,000 \text{ kJ}}{\text{m}^3}$ From Table T-1 = $\frac{1000 \text{ m}^3}{\text{m}^3}$ $\frac{37,000 \text{ kJ}}{\text{m}^3}$

- = 1000 × 37,000 kJ
- = 37,000,000 kJ
- $= 37 \times 10^9 \text{ J}$
- = 37 GJ

- In the above calculation, cubic metres in the numerator and cubic metres in the denominator cancel out, and the remaining unit on the right side of the equation is J.
- Our goal was to end up with J as our desired unit on the right, and we made our unit conversions on the right side until we had the same unit as on the left side.

- If we ever perform one of these basic unit conversion calculations, and find that we have different units on the left and the right – we do not have the correct answer in terms of the desired units.
- This method is given the colloquial name Railroad Track Method, because the vertical separation lines remind us of railroad tracks.

Find the number (x) of kWh in 1000 cubic metres of natural gas.

From Table T-1

X kWh of gas = $\frac{1000 \text{ m}^3}{\text{m}^3} \frac{37,000 \text{ kJ}}{3600 \text{ kJ}} \frac{1 \text{ kWh}}{3600 \text{ kJ}}$ = $\frac{1000 \text{ m}^3}{\text{m}^3} \frac{37,000 \text{ kJ}}{37,000 \text{ kJ}} \frac{1 \text{ kWh}}{1 \text{ kWh}}$

= 1000 × 37,000 kWh/3600
= 10,278 kWh

Example Problem How many J are in 10 kWh? Solution $X J = 10 \text{ kWh} \quad 3.6 \text{ MJ} \text{ kWh}$

= 36 MJ

In this example, the two kWh units cancel out, leaving the remaining unit on the right side as J.

How many kWh are in 2500 MJ? **Solution:**

X kWh = $\frac{2500 \text{ MJ} | 3.6 \text{ kWh}}{\text{MJ}}$ = 694.44 kWh

In this example, the two MJ units cancel out, leaving the remaining unit on the right side as kWh.

 A tank is filled with 100 litres of Number 2 fuel oil. How many GJ of energy is contained in the tank of oil?

Solution

• From Table T-1, there are 39 MJ per litre of oil.

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$$X \text{ kWh} = \frac{100 \text{ L}}{1 \text{ L}} \frac{39 \text{ MJ}}{3.6 \text{ MJ}} \frac{1 \text{ kWh}}{3.6 \text{ MJ}}$$

$= 1083.3 \, kWh$

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Energy audit: searching for energy saving opportunities

- It is a work conducted to analyze the energy performance of a facility, system or a process.
- Its objective is to bring out the energy efficiency opportunities and put them into order of priority.
- Cost-effect measures are proposed to lower the energy use of the facility.
- It is the first step of effective energy management.
- Energy audit will be studied in more detail in Chapter 4.



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