

PSc 320

Class 3 Combustion, Heat Engines

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Heat Engines

Fuel + O₂ => Heat + CO₂ + (?) => Work

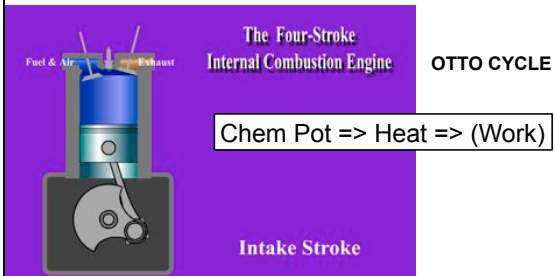
Burning
Combustion
Oxidation

PV = nRT
Pressure * Volume =
number of moles * gas constant * T_(Kelvin)

Heat Engines

- 1) You do work on a gas, compressing it (it *takes* work from you)
- 2) You heat up the gas (a lot)
- 3) It does (way more) work for you expanding than you did compressing it. Because $W = P \cdot V$

<http://www.animatedengines.com/>

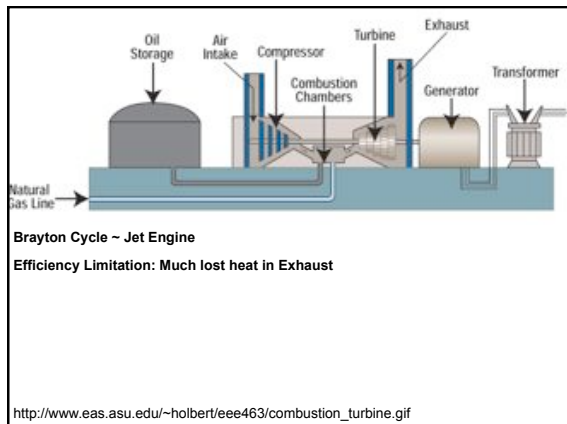
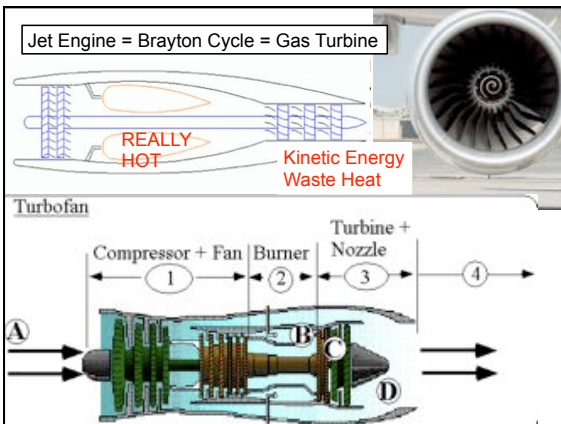


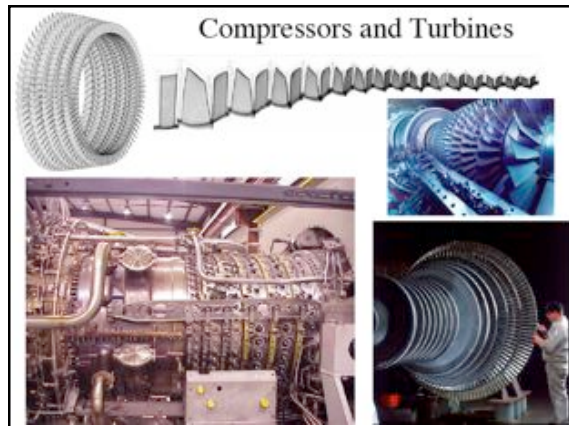
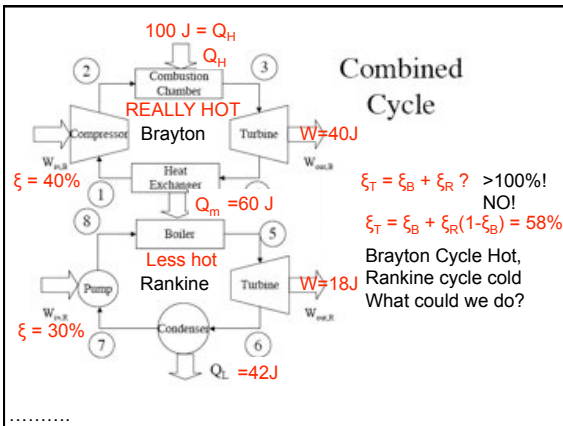
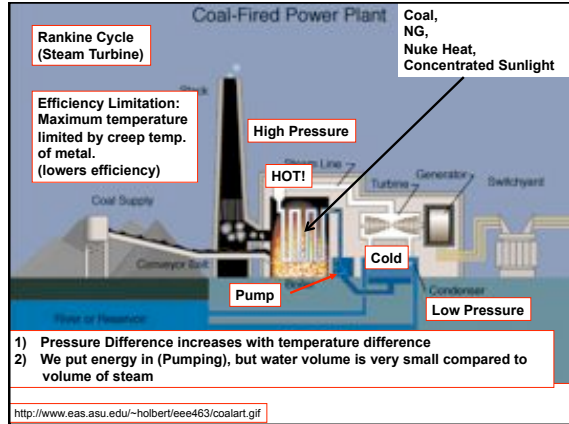
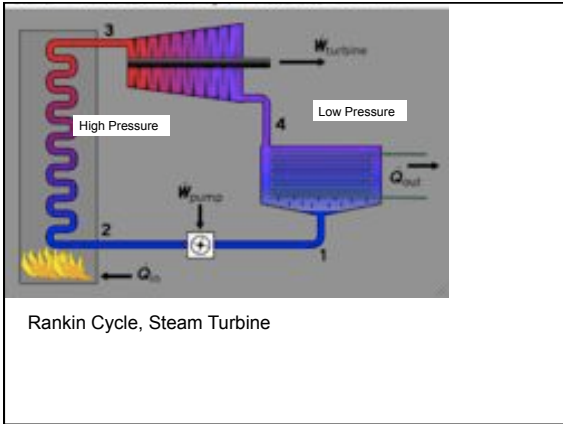
Work = force * distance, $P = W/t = \text{Force} * \text{speed}$

P (rotational) = torque * rotation *rate*

Power (fluid) = Pressure * Flow *rate*

P (electrical) = voltage * electrical current





Power Plants and Advantages

Simple Cycle: Usually Rankine (Steam Turbine)
Coal, NG, (Nuke, Solar)
Cheap but inefficient (~35%)
More fuel costs, more carbon

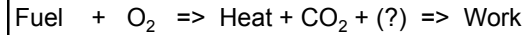
Brayton Cycle (gas turbine): Requires gaseous fuels
more efficient (~40%), expensive

Combined Cycle: Brayton + Rankine
NGCC
More expensive, cleaner, more efficient (~ 60%)
Lower fuel costs, less carbon

Connection to Environment

- Fuel Side: Mining, drilling, transporting
- Waste Heat Side:
 - Increase temperature of body of water
 - Affect fish, algae blooms, etc.
 - Pollutants in waste heat stream
 - Air pollutants
 - Pollutants in waste water stream
- Environmental justice
 - Location, impact & management of power plants

WHO estimates 600,000 deaths in China per year from coal exhaust



Combustion of
Fuel for energy



Methane: biggest portion of natural gas (NG):
 $\text{CH}_4 + 2\text{O}_2 \Rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Petroleum: hydrocarbon chains of various lengths:
 $\text{C}_n\text{H}_{2n+2} + ?\text{O}_2 \Rightarrow n\text{CO}_2 + ?\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Coal: very complex: rich in carbon with O, H, other stuff
 $\text{C}_n\text{O}_x\text{CRAP} + ?\text{O}_2 \Rightarrow n\text{CO}_2 + ?\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Yuck}$

$(\text{CO}_2)/\text{Energy}$: carbon intensity of our energy

Carbon Intensity of some Fuels:

Fuel	g(C)/MJ	g(CO ₂)/MJ
Natural Gas: 15	51	51
Petroleum: 20	73	73
Coal: 25	92	92
Wood: ~ 30	110	110

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Emission_intensity

CO₂
Energy released

Masses (AMU)
Hydrogen: 1
Carbon: 12
Nitrogen: 14
Oxygen: 16
CO ₂ : 12 + 2x16 = 44

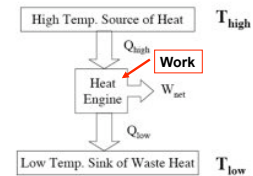
$$\frac{m_{\text{CO}_2}}{m_{\text{C}}} = \frac{44}{12} = 3\frac{2}{3}$$

CO₂ or C?: You MUST Specify Units

Quiz, #1: In a heat engine:

- A) All the work in is changed to heat
 B) All the heat in is changed to work
 C) Some work is put in, but more work is put out.
 D) Heat is put in, and less is put out.
 E) Both C and D

Heat Engine



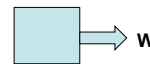
Three Laws of Thermal Physics:

- 1) Energy must be conserved:
 $\text{Energy}_{\text{in}} + \text{Heat}_{\text{in}} = \text{Energy}_{\text{out}} + \text{Heat}_{\text{out}}$
 $W_{\text{in}} + Q_{\text{in}} = W_{\text{out}} + Q_{\text{out}}$
 $Q_{\text{in}} = W_{(\text{net})} + Q_{\text{out}}$ or $Q_{\text{H}} = W_{(\text{net})} + Q_{\text{C}}$
- 2) Entropy, S (disorder) can only increase
 Heat must always flow from hot to cold
- 3) Something about absolute zero (0 Kelvin, -273°C)
 - entropy is minimized, you can't ever really get there

Perpetual Motion Machine of the First Kind:

Violates the first law:

- 1) Energy must be conserved:



CAN'T DO IT!

1st Law Efficiency

$$\text{Efficiency} = \left(\frac{\text{what you want}}{\text{what you pay for}} \right)$$

Several names:
 $\eta_I = 1\text{st Law, Actual, or Thermal Efficiency}$

$$\eta_I = W_{\text{net}}/Q_{\text{in}} = (Q_{\text{high}} - Q_{\text{low}})/Q_{\text{high}} \quad Q_{\text{high}} = W_{\text{net}} + Q_{\text{low}}$$

Denominator is NOT $(Q_{\text{high}} - Q_{\text{low}})$ because Q_{low} is of no value

Entropy (disorder) in a nonequilibrium system will increase.

Red Gas Molecules next to Blue will mix to form purple
More Disorder, More Entropy

How about hot molecules next to cold molecules?
Heat flows from hot to cold.

Entropy (disorder) in a nonequilibrium system will increase.

Ice cube melting in water Cold block in contact With hot block

When Q goes from hot to cold, Entropy is created
 This represents a heat engine with, $\eta=0$

Another Class of Perpetual Motion Machines?

Perpetual Motion Machine of the Second Kind:
 Violates the Second law:

1) Entropy (disorder) can only increase:

No Heat Out
CAN'T DO IT!

Correct, must have
exhaust waste heat (cooler than input heat)

Even a frictionless machine won't give you 100% efficiency. It's not about friction... it's about the second law, and your "perfect" or "Carnot" or "Thermal" efficiency

$$\eta \leq \eta_C = \frac{T_H - T_C}{T_H} = 1 - \frac{T_C}{T_H} \quad \text{Kelvin} = \text{Celsius} + 273$$

Work = force x distance, $P = W/t = \text{Force} \times \text{speed}$
 $P \text{ (rotational)} = \text{torque} \times \text{rotation rate}$

Work = pressure x volume, So Power = Pressure * Flow rate
 $F/\cancel{A} \times \cancel{A} \times \text{distance} = F \times \text{distance} = \text{work}$

Pressure = F/A , [pascal], $[N/m^2]$
 Volume = area x distance, $[m^3]$