

3.1 INTRODUCTION

- First Law of Thermodynamics (also known as conservation of energy principle) states that energy can be neither created nor destroyed during a process but can only change forms.
- Conservation of Energy Principle → 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:

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Total energy} \\ \text{entering the system} \end{array} \right) - \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Total energy} \\ \text{leaving the system} \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Net change in the total} \\ \text{energy of the system} \end{array} \right)$$
$$E_{\text{in}} - E_{\text{out}} = \Delta E_{\text{system}}$$

- This relation is applicable to any kind of system undergoing any kind of process.

Energy Balance for closed systems

(closed tank, rigid tank, piston cylinder device)

$$Q - W = \Delta U + \Delta KE + \Delta PE \quad (\text{with, } W = W_b + W_{other})$$

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STATIONARY SYSTEMS ($\Delta KE = \Delta PE = 0$)

$$Q - W = \Delta U \quad (\text{with, } W = W_b + W_{other})$$

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CONSTANT VOLUME PROCESS / ISOCHORIC
PROCESS ($\Delta V = 0$)

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RIGID TANK / PISTON-CYLINDER
DEVICE

$$\Delta V = 0 \rightarrow W_b = 0 \\ \therefore Q = \Delta U$$

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CONSTANT PRESSURE PROCESS / ISOBARIC
PROCESS ($\Delta P = 0$)

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PISTON-CYLINDER DEVICE ($W = W_b$)

$$Q - W_b = \Delta U \\ Q = \Delta U + W_b \\ Q = \underbrace{\Delta U + P\Delta V}_{\text{Enthalpy definition}} \\ \therefore Q = \Delta H$$

Energy Balance for control volumes

$$Q_{in} + W_{in} + \sum_{\text{for each inlet}} \dot{m} \left(h + \frac{\vec{V}^2}{2} + gz \right) = Q_{out} + W_{out} + \sum_{\text{for each outlet}} \dot{m} \left(h + \frac{\vec{V}^2}{2} + gz \right)$$

$$\dot{Q}_{in} + \dot{W}_{in} + \sum_{\text{for each inlet}} \dot{m} \left(h_i + \frac{\vec{V}_i^2}{2} + gz_i \right) = \dot{Q}_{out} + \dot{W}_{out} + \sum_{\text{for each outlet}} \dot{m} \left(h_e + \frac{\vec{V}_e^2}{2} + gz_e \right)$$

$$\dot{Q}_{net} = \sum \dot{Q}_{in} - \sum \dot{Q}_{out}$$

$$\dot{Q}_{net} - \dot{W}_{net} = \sum_{\text{for each inlet}} \dot{m} \left(h_e + \frac{\vec{V}_e^2}{2} + gz_e \right) - \sum_{\text{for each outlet}} \dot{m} \left(h_i + \frac{\vec{V}_i^2}{2} + gz_i \right)$$

$$\dot{W}_{net} = \sum \dot{W}_{out} - \sum \dot{W}_{in}$$

$$\dot{Q} - \dot{W} = \Delta \dot{H} + \Delta \dot{KE} + \Delta \dot{PE}$$

Overall 1st Law of thermodynamics for CV undergoing steady-flow process

Turbines



- In steam, gas, or hydroelectric power plants, the device that drives the electric generator → TURBINE. As the fluid passes through the turbine, work is done against the blades, which are attached to the shaft → shaft rotates, and the turbine produces work → produce power output.
- By ignoring the change in KE and PE energies ($\Delta ke = \Delta pe = 0$) through an adiabatic turbine ($Q=0$) with a single stream (one inlet-one outlet) that undergoes a steady flow process:

$$\text{Mass balance: } \dot{m}_{in} = \dot{m}_{out} \Rightarrow \dot{m}_1 = \dot{m}_2 = \dot{m}$$

$$\text{Energy balance: } \dot{E}_{in} = \dot{E}_{out}$$

$$\dot{m}h_1 = \dot{m}h_2 + \dot{W}$$

$$\therefore \dot{W} = \dot{m}(h_1 - h_2)$$