

# Statistical Physics

Understanding the behavior of macroscopic objects

$\sim 10^{23}$  particles  
 $\Rightarrow$  use statistics  
 (actually just mean (avegs) and fluctuations)

Microscopic physics is time-reversible

$$-\nabla V(x) = F = m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = H \psi \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow -t} i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi^*}{\partial t} = H \psi^*$$

Macroscopic physics is irreversible

Not easy to formulate theoretically



Various types of problems

- o irreversibility
- o transport (kinetic theory) } time dependent
- o equilibrium (easier solutions) } time independent
- o exotic phenomena
  - chaos
  - emergence

Thermodynamics: An empirical theory - Successful. Try to "derive" it.  
Laws

0th Law: Existence of temperature (and thermometers)  $T_A = T_B \Rightarrow T_A = T_C$   
 $T_B = T_C$

1st Law: Conservation of energy

$$dU = dQ - dW$$

$$dW = P dV$$



For a mechanical system

Magnetic systems  $dW = -H dM$

$$\Delta W = (PA) \cdot \Delta x = P \Delta V$$

(P & H are "fields"  
 V and M are "extensive variables")

"Temperature is transitive"

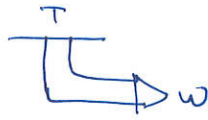
$\propto$  proportional to the amount of material you have

2nd Law: Irreversibility

3rd Law: Simplicity of low temperature

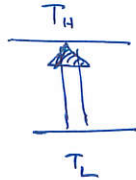
The second law

Kelvin statement



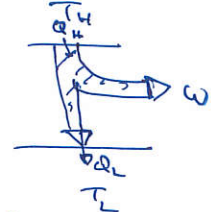
"perfect engine" is not possible

Claussius statement



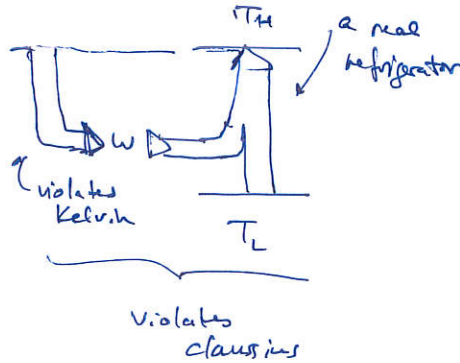
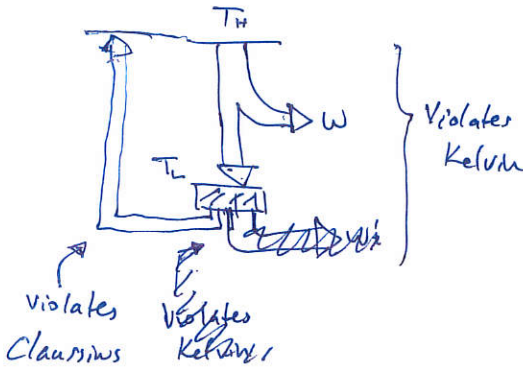
"perfect refrigerator" is not possible

possible system

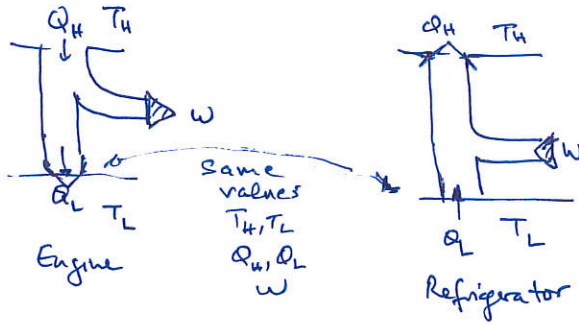
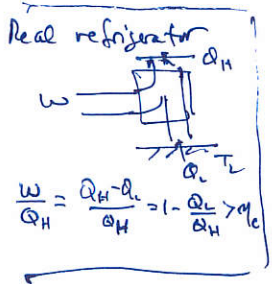


"Engine"

"Refrigerator" if reversed



A reversible engine: one that will reverse  $Q_H, Q_L, W$

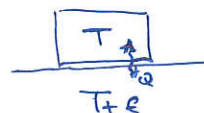
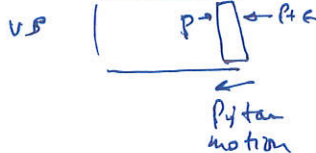
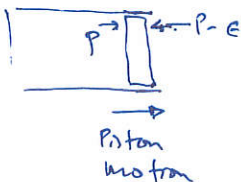


$$\begin{aligned} \text{Efficiency} &= \eta = \frac{W}{Q_H} \\ &= \frac{Q_H - Q_L}{Q_H} \\ &= 1 - \frac{Q_L}{Q_H} \end{aligned}$$

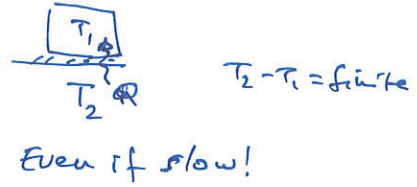
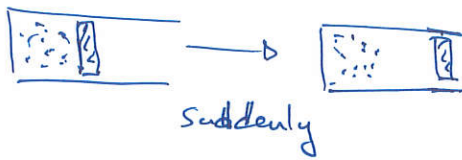
Is such an engine possible?

If you use only "reversible changes".

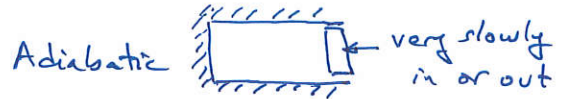
Reversible change is one whose direction may be changed by an infinitesimal change in its surroundings.



# Irreversible changes

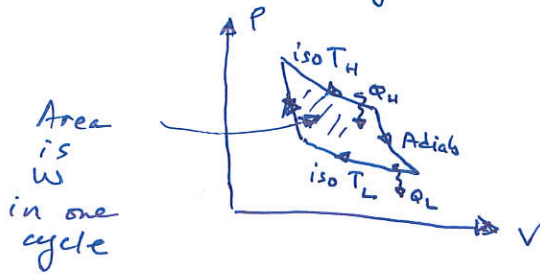


## Various types of reversible changes (mechanical system)



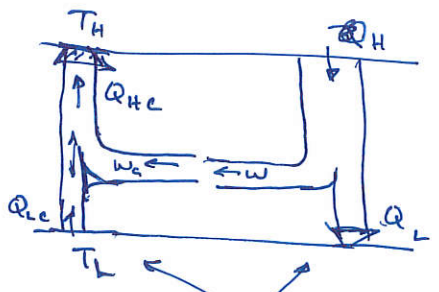
Work is done by the system as it moves out  
" " " on " " " " " in

## The Carnot cycle



All changes reversible  
⇒ reversible engine/refrigerator

Thm: No engine may have an efficiency larger than a Carnot engine. (For same  $T_H, T_L$ )



Adjust so that  $Q_L = Q_{LC}$

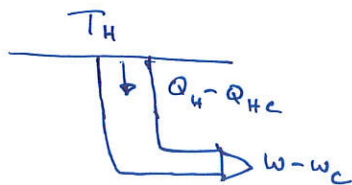
claim:

$$\eta_c = 1 - \frac{Q_{LC}}{Q_{HC}} < 1 - \frac{Q_L}{Q_H}$$

$$\frac{Q_{LC}}{Q_{HC}} > \frac{Q_L}{Q_H} \quad Q_H > Q_{HC} \text{ if } Q_L = Q_{LC}$$

$$\text{ii } w > w_c$$

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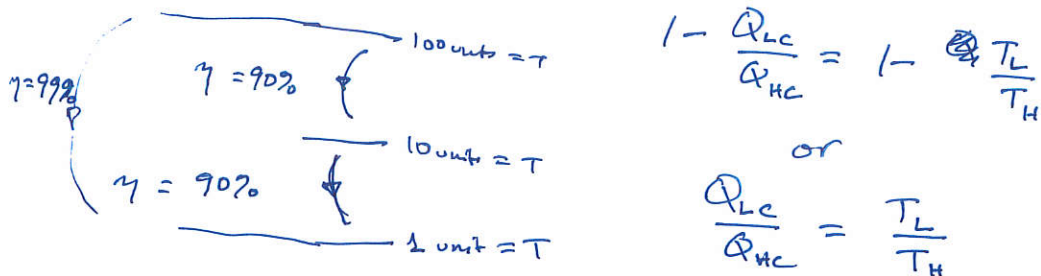


Violates Kelvin!

- ⇒ All reversible engines have the same efficiency for a certain  $T_H, T_L$
- ⇒ All realistic " " lower efficiency " " " " " "

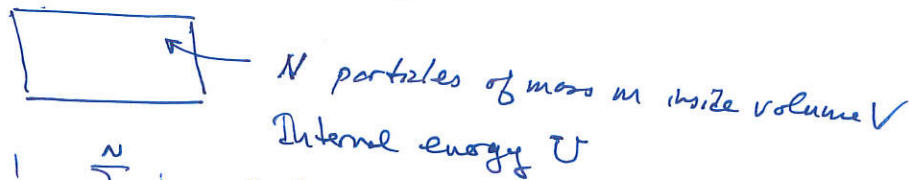
For any  $T_H, T_L$  pair, there is a certain value for the efficiency. We will use this fact to define a temperature scale:

For each  $T_H, T_L$  pair, set



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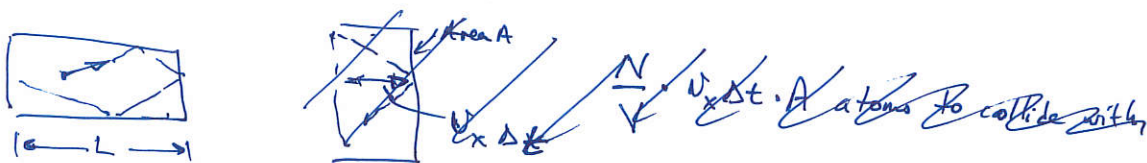
The ideal gas



$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{2} m (v_{xi}^2 + v_{yi}^2 + v_{zi}^2) = U \frac{1}{N}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m \cdot 3 \langle v_x^2 \rangle = U/N \quad \frac{1}{2} m \langle v_x^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{3} \frac{U}{N}$$

Near the wall



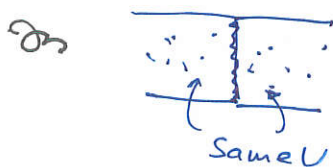
particle  $i$  with  $v_{xi}$  hits the wall with interval  $\frac{2L}{v_{xi}} = \Delta t$   
Momentum transfer to the wall:  $\frac{2 v_{xi} m}{2L/v_{xi}}$

Total force:  $\sum_i m \frac{v_{xi}^2}{L}$

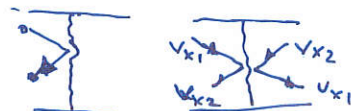
Pressure:  $\frac{m}{V} \sum_i v_{xi}^2 = \frac{N m}{V} \langle v_x^2 \rangle = \frac{2}{3} \frac{U}{V} = P$

$PV = \frac{2}{3} U$

Energy transfer at boundary



Assume boundary is elastic, reflects on way hits, otherwise otherwise 2 particle collisions



x-velocities interchanged  
 no effect if same U on both sides → Same U ⇒ same T  
 $U = U(T)$

$$\eta_c > \eta$$

$$1 - \frac{Q_{Lc}}{Q_{Hc}} > 1 - \frac{Q_L}{Q_H}$$

$$- \frac{T_L}{T_H} > - \frac{Q_L}{Q_H}$$

$$\frac{Q_L}{Q_H} > \frac{T_L}{T_H}$$

~~$$\frac{T_H}{Q_H} > \frac{T_L}{Q_L}$$~~

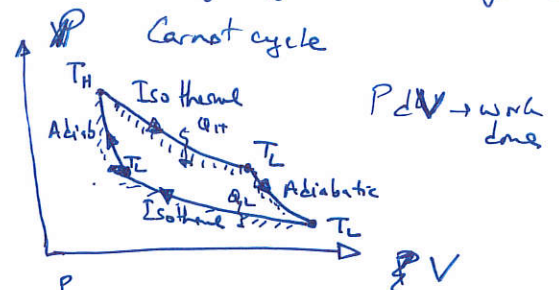
$$\frac{Q_L}{T_L} > \frac{Q_H}{T_H}$$

~~$$\frac{T_H}{Q_H} - \frac{T_L}{Q_L} > 0$$~~

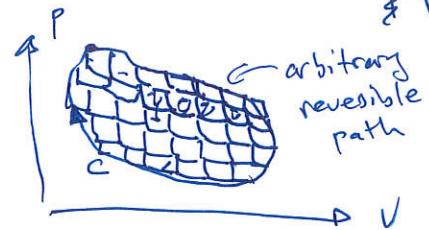
$$\frac{Q_H}{T_H} - \frac{Q_L}{T_L} \leq 0$$

Take heat coming in as positive, heat going out as negative

$$\sum_i \frac{Q_i}{T_i} \leq 0$$



$$\oint \frac{dQ}{T} \leq 0$$



$$\oint_{\text{rev}} \left[ \frac{dQ}{T} \right]_{\text{rev}} = 0$$

define  $\left[ \frac{dQ}{T} \right]_{\text{rev}} = dS$

$$\oint P dV = \sum_i \int_{c_i} P dV$$

$dS$  is a perfect differential

$S$  is an extensive property of the system

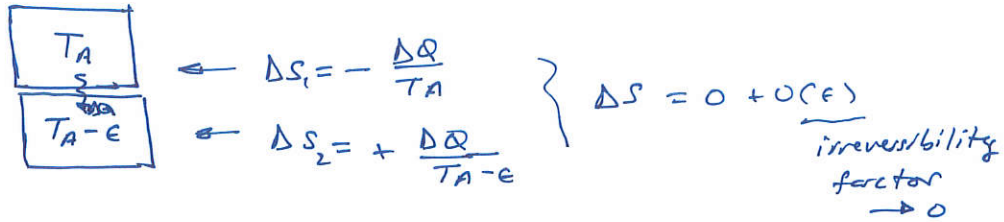
$\Delta S$  between two states may be found by

calculating  $\Delta S = \int_A^B \left[ \frac{dQ}{T} \right]_{\text{rev}}$

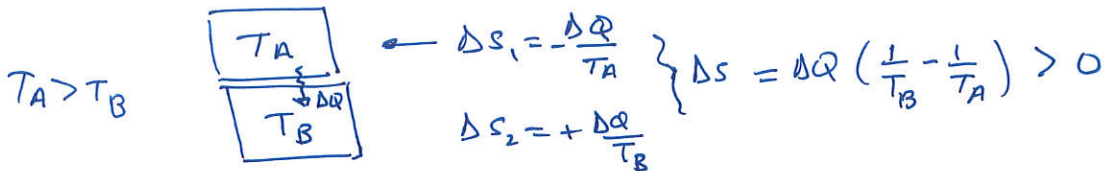
An absolute value may be assigned by choosing  $S(T=0) = 0$   
 (For systems with non-degenerate ground states only!) third Law

A reversible heat transfer:

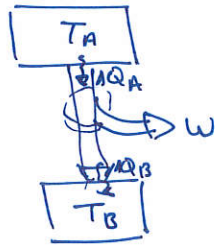
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An irreversible heat transfer



Transfer the heat using an engine

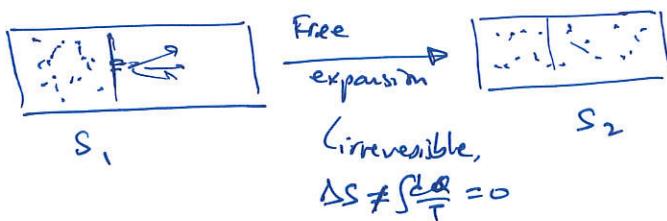


After one cycle, the engine is in its original state  $\Rightarrow \Delta S_{\text{engine}} = 0$

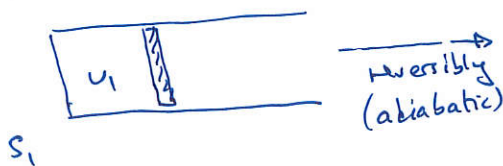
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Delta S_A &= -\frac{\Delta Q_A}{T_A} \\ \Delta S_B &= +\frac{\Delta Q_B}{T_B} \end{aligned} \right\} \Delta S = \frac{\Delta Q_B}{T_B} - \frac{\Delta Q_A}{T_A} \geq 0$$

opposite of engine relation

Another example



Different scenario (reversible)



$$\Delta Q = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta S = 0 \quad S_1$$

$$U_2 = U_1 - W \quad \rightarrow W = \int P \, dV$$

$$U_2 \rightarrow U_1$$

$U_1 - W = \Delta Q$  Add heat reversibly

$$S_1 \rightarrow S_2 ; S_2 > S_1$$

Total  $\Delta S = 0$

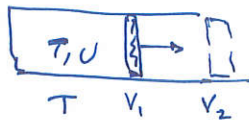
$\Delta S$  of gas =  $-\Delta S$  of heat source

$$U_2 = U_1 \left( \frac{V_1}{V_2} \right)^{2/3}$$

$$\frac{U_2}{U_1} \left( \frac{V_2}{V_1} \right)^{2/3} = 1$$

$$S_{\text{ideal gas}} \Rightarrow \Delta S = 0$$

Ideal Gas isothermal expansion



$U_{\text{constant}} \Rightarrow \Delta Q = W$

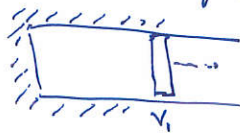
$PV = \frac{2}{3} U$

$P = \frac{2}{3} \frac{U}{V}$

$$W = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} P dV = \frac{2}{3} U \int_{V_1}^{V_2} \frac{dV}{V} \neq$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} U \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1} = \Delta Q$$

Adiabatic expansion



$dQ = 0$   
 $dU = -P dV$   
 $\frac{dU}{dV} = -P$

$U = U_1 - \int_{V_1}^{V_2} P dV$

$\frac{dU}{dV} = -P = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{U}{V}$

$\frac{dU}{U} = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{dV}{V}$

$\ln U = -\frac{2}{3} \ln V + c$

$U = V^{-2/3} c$

$U = U_1 \text{ when } V = V_1 \Rightarrow U_1 = V_1^{-2/3} c \Rightarrow c = U_1 V_1^{2/3}$

$\Rightarrow U(V) = U_1 \left( \frac{V_1}{V} \right)^{2/3}$

$\Delta U = -W$

"Our" Carnot cycle: start with  $U_1, V_1$   $\xrightarrow{\text{iso } T_1}$   $U_1, V_2$  with  $V_2 = 2V_1$

$U_1, V_1 \xrightarrow{\text{Iso } T_1} U_1, V_2$	$\Delta Q_H$ $\frac{2}{3} U_1 \ln 2$	$-W$ $\frac{2}{3} U_1 \ln 2$	$U$ $U_1$
$U_1, V_2 \xrightarrow{\text{Adiab}} U_3, V_3$	0	$U_1 \left( 1 - \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{2/3} \right)$	$U_1 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{2/3}$
$U_3, V_3 \xrightarrow{\text{Iso } T_3} U_3, V_2$	$-\frac{2}{3} \left[ U_1 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{2/3} \right]$	$-\frac{2}{3} \left[ U_1 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{2/3} \right]$	$U_1 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{2/3}$
$U_3, V_2 \xrightarrow{\text{Adiab}} U_2, V_1$	0	$-\left[ U_1 - U_1 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{2/3} \right]$	$\left[ U_1 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{2/3} \right] \left( \frac{2}{1} \right)^{2/3}$ $U_1$
cycle		$Q_H = \frac{2}{3} U_1 \ln 2$	
	$Q_L = \frac{2}{3} U_1 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{2/3}$	$\frac{2}{3} U_1 \left( \ln 2 - \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{2/3} \right)$	

$$\frac{T_H}{T_L} = \frac{Q_H}{Q_L} = \frac{du_2}{(u_2)^{2/3}} = \frac{u_1}{u_3}$$

⇒ Internal Energy for an ideal gas is proportional to the temperature.

We need a reference to fix the scale:

The triple point of H<sub>2</sub>O = 273.16 K = 0.01 °C

$$\Rightarrow \text{°C} \leftrightarrow \text{K} - 273.15$$

Thermometers: Expansion (Hg, Alcohol, bimetallic, etc)  
 Thermocouple  
 Radiation } Material Properties

With that definition, one has

$$U_{\text{ideal gas}} = \frac{2}{3} k_B T N = \frac{2}{3} \frac{N}{N_A} (N_A k_B) T = \frac{2}{3} n R T$$

$$k_B = 1.381 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$$

# of moles  
 ideal gas constant 8.31 J/K-mole

"Eqn. of state" :  $PV = N k_B T = n R T$

### Entropy of the ideal gas

Too Early

Start with  $T_1$ ,  $U_1 = \frac{2}{3} k_B T_1$

$$U_1 = \frac{2}{3} k_B T_1$$

Add energy (heat) at a constant rate

$$U = \alpha t = \frac{2}{3} k_B T \Rightarrow T = \frac{3}{2} \frac{U + \alpha t}{k_B}$$

$$\frac{dU}{dt} = \frac{dQ}{dt} = \alpha$$

~~$$\frac{dQ}{T} = \alpha dt \cdot \frac{k_B}{\frac{2}{3} k_B T} = \frac{3}{2} k_B \frac{dt}{T}$$~~

$S(T=0) \neq 0$  for ideal gas, because its ground state is degenerate.

$$\frac{dQ}{T} = \frac{\alpha dt}{\frac{3}{2} (U_1 + \alpha t) / k_B} = \frac{2}{3} k_B \int \frac{dx}{x} = \frac{2}{3} k_B \ln x \Big|_{U_1}^{U_2} = \Delta S$$

$$\Delta S = \frac{2}{3} k_B \ln \frac{U_2}{U_1} \text{ for fixed volume}$$



# Free expansion of the ideal gas

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$$P_1 V_1 = N k_B T_1$$

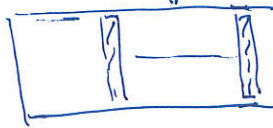
$$U_1 = \frac{3}{2} N k_B T_1$$

$$P_1 V_1 = \frac{3}{2} U$$

$$U_2 = U_1$$

$$T_2 = T_1$$

$$P_2 V_2 = P_1 V_1$$



Expand isothermally  
 $U$  is constant  
 $\Delta Q = W$

$$P = \frac{\frac{3}{2} U}{V}$$

$$W = \frac{3}{2} U \int \frac{dV}{V}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} U \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1}$$

$$= \Delta Q$$

$$\Delta S = \frac{\Delta Q}{T} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{U}{T} \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} N k_B \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1}$$

## First Law + Second Law

$$dQ = dU + P dV = T dS \quad (\text{rev})$$

$$dU = T dS - P dV$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_S = -P \quad \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial S} \right)_V = T$$

A "thermodynamic potential"  
Helmholtz free Energy

$$A = U - TS$$

$$dA = dU - SdT - TdS$$

$$= dQ - PdV - SdT - TdS$$

$$dA + PdV + SdT = dQ - TdS \leq 0$$

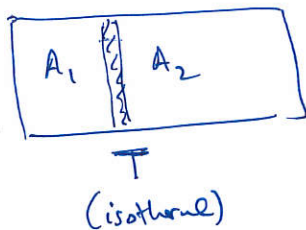
$$dA \leq -PdV - SdT$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \left. \frac{\partial A}{\partial V} \right|_T = -P \quad \left. \frac{\partial A}{\partial T} \right|_V = -S \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Eqn. of state

If  $dW = 0$ ,  $dT = 0$  A is a decreasing function of  $V$  at equilibrium.

E.g.



$$A = A_1(V_1, T) + A_2(V_2, T) \quad V_2 = V - V_1$$

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial V_1} = \frac{\partial A_1}{\partial V_1} - \frac{\partial A_2}{\partial V_2} = 0 \text{ equil} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial V_1} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial V_2}$$

$$-P_1 + P_2 = 0 \Rightarrow P_1 = P_2 \text{ at equil}$$