

The temperature of a system remains constant as the hypothesis that determines whether or not the system is in thermal equilibrium with the neighbouring systems.

The first law of thermodynamics -

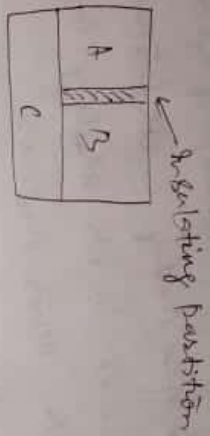
The law of conservation of energy, in specific form, may be stated as - whenever work is converted into heat, a definite amount of heat is produced for every part of work so converted. Similarly, when heat is expended to produce work some amount of heat is used up for every unit of work so produced. In terms of Joule's classic cycle of heat equivalence - when work is converted into heat, a definite amount of work produces a definite quantity of heat. Mathematically this is represented as,

W = Q

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The third one, are also in thermal equilibrium with each other.

Explanation -



Let us consider two systems A and B which are in thermal contact but in good thermal contact with the common system C. Systems A and B will attain thermal equilibrium with the third C. Now the insulating partition is removed and systems A and B are brought into thermal contact. We find that there is no further change. This means that the systems A and B are also in thermal equilibrium with each other. This is known as Zeroth law of thermodynamics. A

As the three systems can be said to possess a property that ensures their being in thermal equilibrium with each other. This property is called temperature.

and ② The heat energy here energy spent in expanding the system against the external pressure is in doing external work. But dU is the change in the internal kinetic energy, dW is the change in the potential energy and dW is the external work done, when since energy can neither be created nor destroyed destroyed but only converted from one form to another, we have.

$$dR = dU + dW + dW$$

$$\text{or } dR = dU + dW.$$

$$\text{Given, } dU = dW + dW.$$

It should be remembered that all the quantities must be expressed in unit of energy. (i.e. Joules or calories).

Significance of the first law:

The first law of thermodynamics is important because

① It is applicable to any process by

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Free and unfree energy - when a system

apparently shows no mechanical energy,

but is still capable of doing work, it is said to possess internal energy or unfree energy.

As we know matter is made up of large number of tiny particles called molecules,

which are in a state of constant rapid motion and hence possess kinetic energy. It is due to translational, rotational and vibrational motion of the molecules, all of which depend on the temperature. While the potential energy arising due to intermolecular attraction and it is called internal potential energy, which depends on the separation between the molecules.

As we know, electrons are spinning and have

or, $W = JQ$.

where, Q is the heat,
 W is work.

and J is called the Joule's mechanical equivalent of heat.

This relation is known as the first law of thermodynamics.

The first law of thermodynamics is the statement of the principle of conservation of energy.

Let us consider a quantity of object is supplied to a system. This heat energy is spent in three ways—

① Firstly, it is spent in raising the temperature of the body which is equivalent of increasing the internal kinetic energy.

② A part of it is spent in doing internal work against molecular attraction which is equivalent to increase the internal potential energy of the system.

where U_1 is the internal energy in state 1 and U_2 the internal energy in state 2.

$$n_1 \quad dU = dQ - PdV$$

$$n_2 \quad dU = dQ - PdV$$

where work done, $dW = PdV$,

Heat - we may regard heat as the physical

cause of the sensation of hotness and

coldness. We treat it as a form of energy

transfer, which tries to maintain some

average level, the temperature, between bodies

that are in thermal contact. As it is not possible

to speak of work on a body, it is also not

possible to speak of heat on a body, work is

done on a body or by a body. Similarly,

heat can flow from a body or to a body.

If a body is at a constant temperature, it

has both mechanical and thermal energies

due to the molecular agitation and this

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level and hence no net energy flow. A
measure of the difference is thermal level (the
temperature difference) of the bodies. The tempera-
ture of a body in its thermal state will
preferance to its ability to communicate
heat to other bodies.

Thus we may call heat active energy
in that it tries to maintain same
thermal level, the temperature, between bodies
that are in thermal contact.

First Law of Thermodynamics:-

Let us first learn, thermal equilibrium
in - when a hot body A is brought in
thermal contact with a cold body B,
heat flows from A to B. After some
time the two stop. The bodies A and B
are then said to be in thermal equilibrium
with each other.

Statement - If two systems are in thermal
equilibrium with each other, they are in thermal
equilibrium with each other.

and therefore when particles possess kinetic energy

So the internal energy of the system is the sum of kinetic energy, potential energy and energy of electrons and nuclei. It is denoted by U . In practice, it is not possible to measure the total energy of the system in any given state. Only change in its value can be measured. When a system passes from one state to the other change in the internal energy is independent of the path followed between the two states, but depends only on the initial and final states.

If the state of the system is changed from an initial state 1 to a final state 2, by supplying heat Q to the system and if w is the work done by the system during the change, then increase in the internal energy of the system is given by

$$U_2 - U_1 = Q - w.$$

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which a system undergoes a physical or chemical change.

and (2) It introduces the concept of the internal energy.

Limitations of the first law of thermodynamics
The first law of thermodynamics

is based on the principle of conservation of energy. Though it is applicable to every process in nature between the equilibrium states,

it does not specify the condition under which a system ^{can} use its heat energy to produce a supply of mechanical work.

It also does not say how much of the heat energy can be converted into work.

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not possible to separate them. So, in this case, we cannot talk of heat energy. Here it is clear that if the flow of heat stops, the word heat cannot be used. It is only used when there is transfer of energy between two or more systems.

Temperature - It is the degree of hotness or coldness.

We may understand the heat and temperature as follows. In the analogy, we know that a liquid flows only from higher to lower level until a common level is attained. If we place quantity of liquid by quantity of heat and its level by temperature, we have, heat flows from a body at a higher temperature to the one at a lower temperature, irrespective of the quantity of heat in the two bodies. This heat flows continuously until the two bodies attain a common temperature. For this reason, the temperature system is referred to as thermal