

# Thermal & Statistical Physics

PHYS 343

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# Statistical Physics

## Part II

# LECTURE 1

***Heat and work***

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- *Thermodynamic processes and entropy*
- *Thermodynamic cycles*
- *Extracting work from heat*

*How do we define engine efficiency?*

*Carnot cycle* --- *best possible*

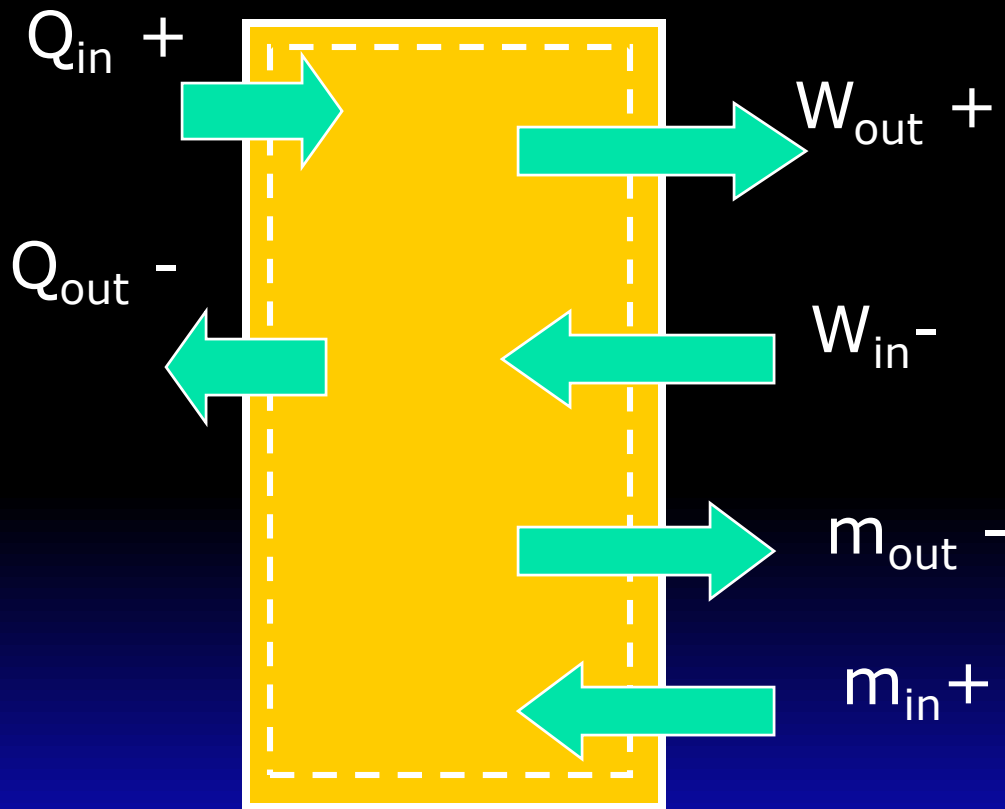
References for this Lecture:  
Elements Ch 2

- ***Outline:***
  - Conventions for heat and work
  - Work
  - Heat
- ***:Important points***
  - How to determine the direction of heat and work flow
  - Integral and specific case equations for heat and work
  - How to compute work from property paths

# *Energy Transfer*

- **Open system or control volume**-- energy can be added to or taken away from the system by heat transfer, work interactions, or with the mass that flows in or out.
- **Closed systems**--energy transfer is only by heat and work interactions, because by definition no mass goes in or out.

# Signs for heat, work and mass transfer



## Sign convention

$Q_{in}$  is positive

$Q_{out}$  is negative

$W_{in}$  is negative

$W_{out}$  is positive

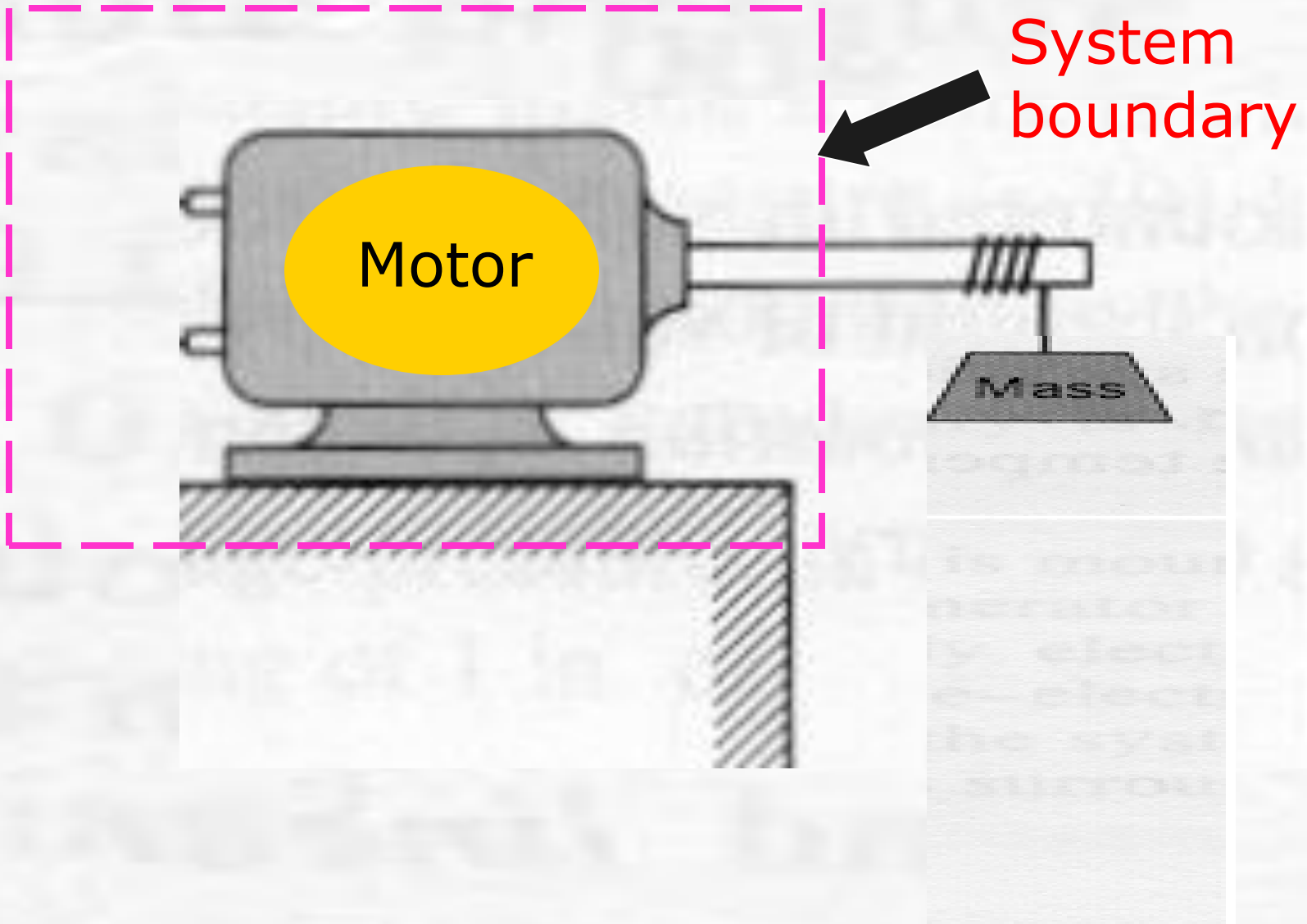
$m_{in}$  is positive

$m_{out}$  is negative

# WORK

**Work**--is done by a system (on its surroundings) **if** the sole effect on everything external to the system could have been the raising of a weight.





# *Remember!*

$W < 0$  is work done **on** the system

$W > 0$  is work done **by** the system

You've seen work before in mechanics. It's **defined** in terms of **force** and **displacement**

$$W = \int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

Note that  $F$  and  $ds$  are vectors....

# ***WHAT IS WORK AGAIN?***

**Work**--an interaction between a system and its surroundings whose equivalent action can be the raising or lowering of a weight.

## *Path-dependent quantities*

- Up to this point, what you've seen in calculus is primarily exact differentials
- Exact differentials are path-**in**dependent

$$\int_{S_1}^{S_2} ds = S_2 - S_1$$

# ***Work is path dependent***

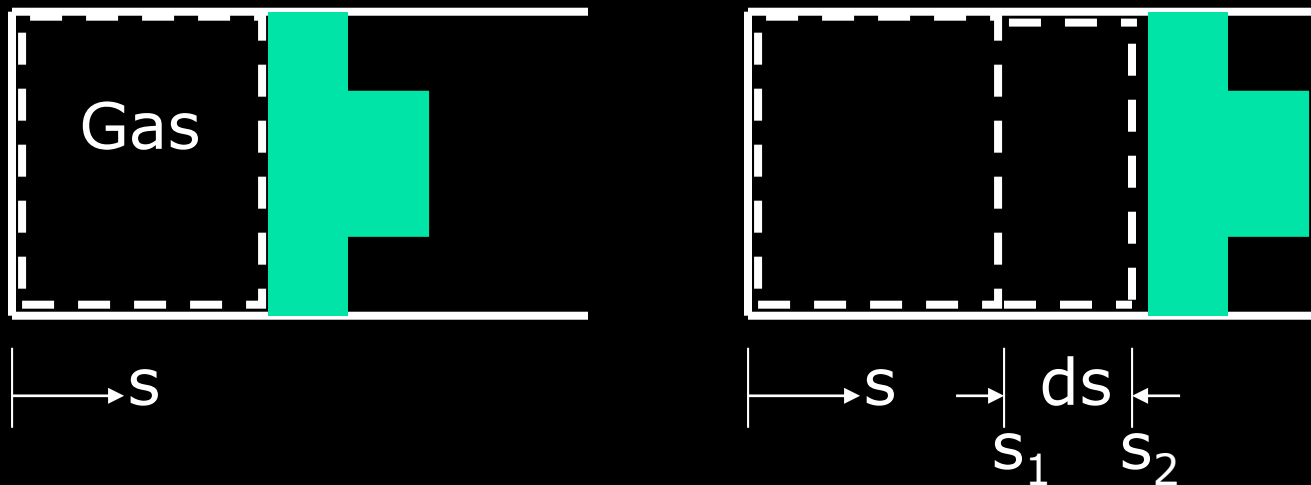
We use an inexact differential,  $\delta$ , with work.

$$W = \int \delta (W)$$

# *Units of WORK*

- Btu or kJ
- Rate of doing work,  $dW/dt$ , has units of Btu/h, ft-lb<sub>f</sub>/h, J/s or Watts
- Rate of doing work is called **POWER**

## Moving boundary work

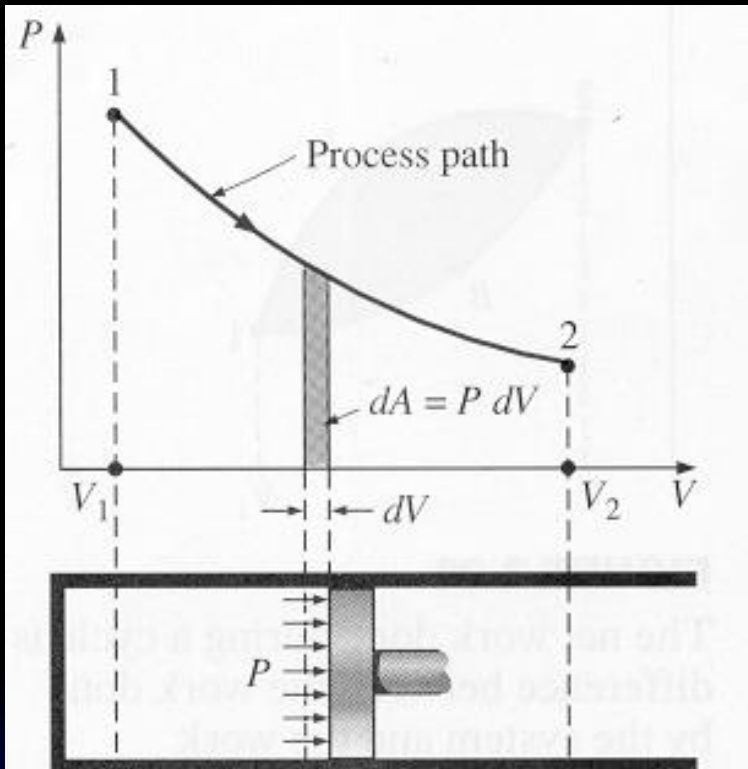


A differential amount of volume is given by

$$dV = A_{\text{piston}} \times ds$$



# Moving boundary work



The area under the process curve on a  $P$ - $V$  diagram represents the boundary work.

The force  $F$  on the piston is

$$F = P \times A_{\text{piston}}$$

# Moving boundary work

$$W = \int_1^2 \bar{F} \cdot d\bar{s} = \int_1^2 F ds$$

$$F = P \times A_{\text{piston}}$$

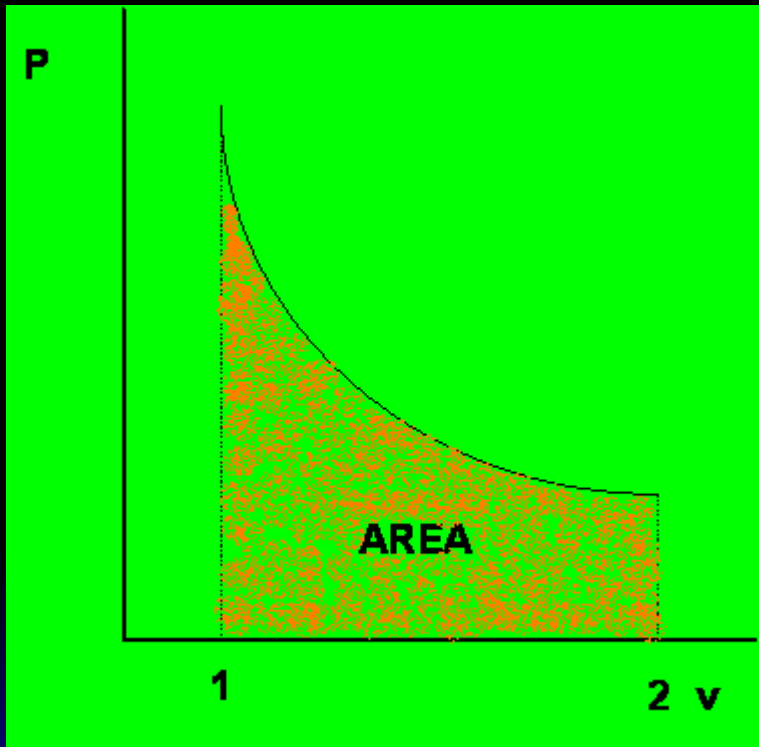
$$W = \int F ds = \int P \times A_{\text{piston}} ds$$

$$W = \int_1^2 P dV$$



$dV$

*What did an integral represent in calculus?*



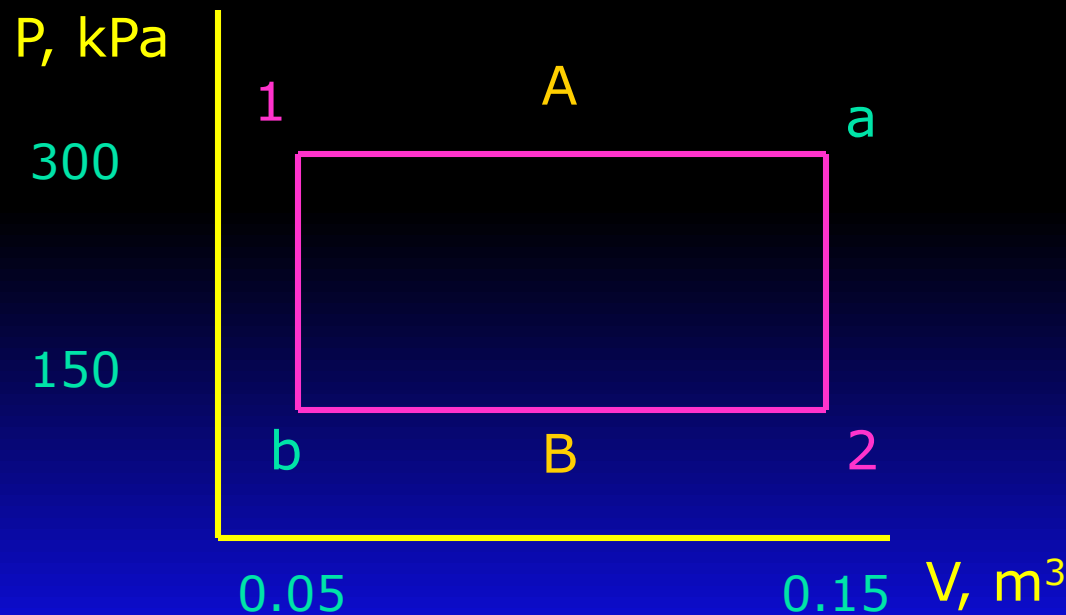
$$W = \int_1^2 P dV$$

**So,**

*if we know  $p = p(V)$ , then work due to compression can be interpreted as the area under a curve in pressure - volume coordinates.*

# TEAMPLAY

For a piston-cylinder system, two paths are shown from point 1 to 2. Compute the work in kJ done in going by path A from 1 to a to 2 (call the work  $W_A$ ) and by path B from 1 to b to 2 (call the work  $W_B$ ).



## *Moving boundary work*

Work for a closed, compressible system is given by

$$W = \int_1^2 P dV$$

- *This has a variety of names:*
  - expansion work
  - PdV work
  - boundary work
  - compression work

# ***Boundary work***

To integrate for work, we must know the pressure as a function of the volume

$$**P = P(V)**$$

This will give us the path of the work.

## *Some Common $P(V)$ Paths*

- $P=C$  , constant pressure process
- $P=C/V$ , ideal gas, const.temp. process
- $PV^n=C$ , polytropic process

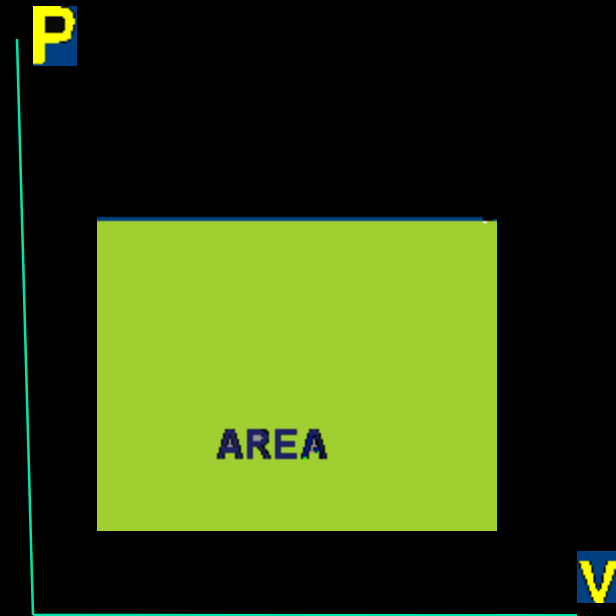


*The constant pressure process is the easiest*

Since  $P=c$ , it's pulled out of the integral

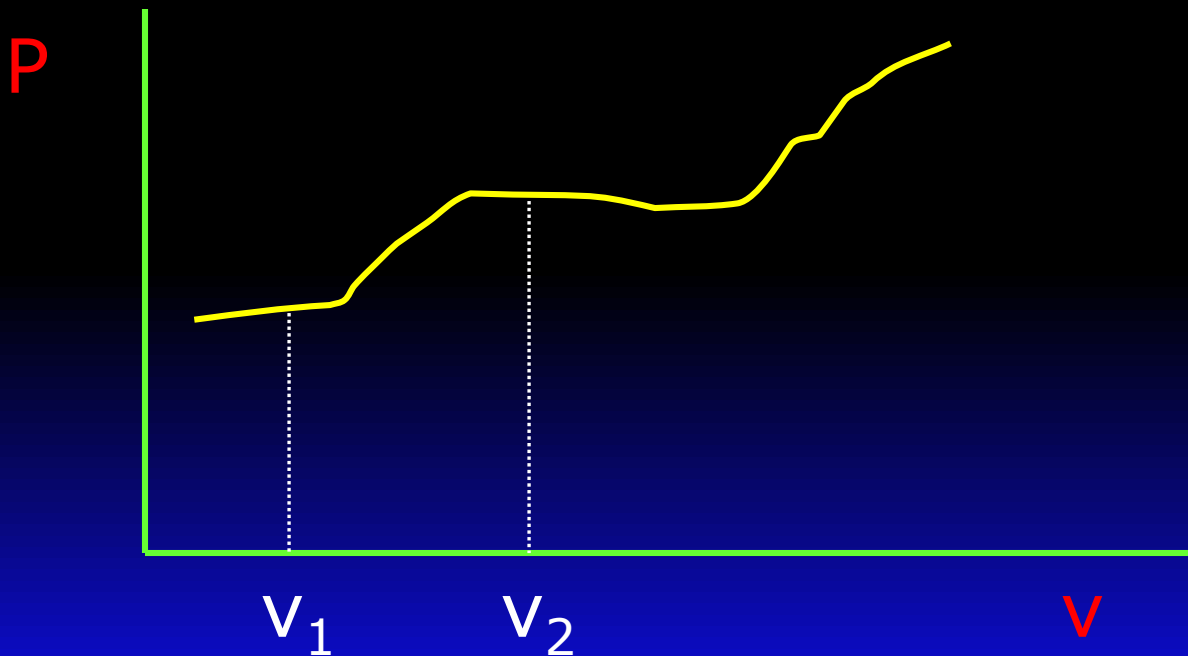
$$W = P \int_1^2 dV = P(V_2 - V_1)$$

*YOU CAN ONLY DO  
THIS IF THE  
PRESSURE IS  
CONSTANT DURING  
THE PROCESS!*



# TEAMPLAY

How do you find the area under the curve (work) when the pressure isn't constant?  
 $P = f(v)$  below?



## *Moving boundary work*

Consider an ideal gas undergoing an isothermal process.

Start with the expression for work

$$W = \int_1^2 p dV$$

For the gas,  $PV = mRT$  or  $P = \frac{mRT}{V}$

$$W = \int_1^2 P dV = \int_1^2 \frac{mRT}{V} dV$$

Collecting terms and integrating yields:

$$W = mRT \int_1^2 \frac{dV}{V} = mRT \ln \left[ \frac{V_2}{V_1} \right]$$

*Note that this result is very different from the work for a constant pressure process!*

# TEAMPLAY

If you start at a  $P_1$  and volume 1 and expand to a volume 2, which process will produce more work:

- (a) a constant pressure or
- (b) constant temperature process?

**Why?** Justify your answer.

# Polytropic process

A frequently encountered process for gases is the polytropic process:

$$PV^n = c = \text{constant}$$

Since this expression relates  $P$  &  $V$ , we can calculate the work for this path.

$$W = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} P dV$$



*General case of boundary work for a gas which obeys the polytropic equation*

$$W = \int_1^2 P dV$$

$$= c \int_1^2 \frac{dV}{V^n}$$

$$= \frac{P_2 V_2 - P_1 V_1}{1 - n}$$

# Other Forms of Work

## Electrical Work

$$\frac{\delta W}{dt} = -VI$$

## Shaft Work

$$\frac{\delta W}{dt} = -T\omega$$

# *Work and heat transfer*

- Work is one way a system can interact with its surroundings.
- Another way is by means of **heat transfer**

# *HEAT TRANSFER*

Heat is a form of energy transfer that occurs solely as a result of a temperature difference

$$Q = f(\Delta T)$$

*Sign convention is the opposite of that for work:*

- $Q > 0$ : heat transfer to the system
- $Q < 0$ : heat transfer from the system

*Heat transfer is **not** a property of a system, just as work is not a property.*

$$Q = \int_1^2 \delta Q \neq Q_2 - Q_1$$

We can't identify  $Q_2$  (Q at state 2) or  $Q_1$ .

Heat energy can be transferred to and from the system or transformed into another form of energy.

## *Heat and work summary*

- **They are only recognized at the boundary of a system, as they cross the boundary.**
- **They are associated with a process, not a state. Unlike  $u$  and  $h$  which have definite values at any state,  $q$  and  $w$  do not.**
- **They are both path-dependent functions.**
- **A system in general does not possess heat or work.**