

**9-54** An ideal dual cycle has a compression ratio of 14 and cutoff ratio of 1.2. The thermal efficiency, amount of heat added, and the maximum gas pressure and temperature are to be determined.

**Assumptions 1** The air-standard assumptions are applicable. **2** Kinetic and potential energy changes are negligible. **3** Air is an ideal gas with constant specific heats.

**Properties** The properties of air at room temperature are  $c_p = 1.005 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K}$ ,  $c_v = 0.718 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K}$ ,  $R = 0.287 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K}$ , and  $k = 1.4$  (Table A-2).

**Analysis** The specific volume of the air at the start of the compression is

$$\nu_1 = \frac{RT_1}{P_1} = \frac{(0.287 \text{ kPa}\cdot\text{m}^3/\text{kg}\cdot\text{K})(253 \text{ K})}{80 \text{ kPa}} = 0.9076 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$$

and the specific volume at the end of the compression is

$$\nu_2 = \frac{\nu_1}{r} = \frac{0.9076 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}}{14} = 0.06483 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$$

The pressure at the end of the compression is

$$P_2 = P_1 \left( \frac{\nu_1}{\nu_2} \right)^k = P_1 r^k = (80 \text{ kPa})(14)^{1.4} = 3219 \text{ kPa}$$

and the maximum pressure is

$$P_x = P_3 = r_p P_2 = (1.5)(3219 \text{ kPa}) = \mathbf{4829 \text{ kPa}}$$

The temperature at the end of the compression is

$$T_2 = T_1 \left( \frac{\nu_1}{\nu_2} \right)^{k-1} = T_1 r^{k-1} = (253 \text{ K})(14)^{1.4-1} = 727.1 \text{ K}$$

and 
$$T_x = T_2 \left( \frac{P_3}{P_2} \right) = (727.1 \text{ K}) \left( \frac{4829 \text{ kPa}}{3219 \text{ kPa}} \right) = 1091 \text{ K}$$

From the definition of cutoff ratio

$$\nu_3 = r_c \nu_x = r_c \nu_2 = (1.2)(0.06483 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}) = 0.07780 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$$

The remaining state temperatures are then

$$T_3 = T_x \left( \frac{\nu_3}{\nu_x} \right) = (1091 \text{ K}) \left( \frac{0.07780}{0.06483} \right) = \mathbf{1309 \text{ K}}$$

$$T_4 = T_3 \left( \frac{\nu_3}{\nu_4} \right)^{k-1} = (1309 \text{ K}) \left( \frac{0.07780}{0.9076} \right)^{1.4-1} = 490.0 \text{ K}$$

Applying the first law and work expression to the heat addition processes gives

$$\begin{aligned} q_{\text{in}} &= c_v(T_x - T_2) + c_p(T_3 - T_x) \\ &= (0.718 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K})(1091 - 727.1)\text{K} + (1.005 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K})(1309 - 1091)\text{K} \\ &= \mathbf{480.4 \text{ kJ/kg}} \end{aligned}$$

The heat rejected is

$$q_{\text{out}} = c_v(T_4 - T_1) = (0.718 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K})(490.0 - 253)\text{K} = 170.2 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

Then, 
$$\eta_{\text{th}} = 1 - \frac{q_{\text{out}}}{q_{\text{in}}} = 1 - \frac{170.2 \text{ kJ/kg}}{480.4 \text{ kJ/kg}} = \mathbf{0.646}$$

