

4-82 Air at a specified state contained in a piston-cylinder device undergoes an isothermal and constant volume process until a final temperature. The process is to be sketched on the P - V diagram and the amount of heat transfer is to be determined.

Assumptions 1 Air is an ideal gas since it is at a high temperature relative to its critical temperature of 304.2 K. 2 The kinetic and potential energy changes are negligible, $\Delta ke \cong \Delta pe \cong 0$.

Properties The properties of air are $R = 0.287 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K}$ and $c_v = 0.718 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K}$ (Table A-2a).

Analysis (a) The processes 1-2 (isothermal) and 2-3 (constant-volume) are sketched on the P - V diagram as shown.

(b) We take air as the system. This is a *closed system* since no mass crosses the boundaries of the system. The energy balance for this system for the process 1-3 can be expressed as

$$\underbrace{E_{\text{in}} - E_{\text{out}}}_{\substack{\text{Net energy transfer} \\ \text{by heat, work, and mass}}} = \underbrace{\Delta E_{\text{system}}}_{\substack{\text{Change in internal, kinetic,} \\ \text{potential, etc. energies}}} \\ -W_{b,\text{out},1-2} + Q_{\text{in}} = \Delta U = mc_v(T_3 - T_1)$$

The mass of the air is

$$m = \frac{P_1 V_1}{RT_1} = \frac{(600 \text{ kPa})(0.8 \text{ m}^3)}{(0.287 \text{ kPa} \cdot \text{m}^3/\text{kg} \cdot \text{K})(1200 \text{ K})} = 1.394 \text{ kg}$$

The work during process 1-2 is determined from boundary work relation for an isothermal process to be

$$\begin{aligned} W_{b,\text{out},1-2} &= mRT_1 \ln \frac{V_2}{V_1} = mRT_1 \ln \frac{P_1}{P_2} \\ &= (1.394 \text{ kg})(0.287 \text{ kPa} \cdot \text{m}^3/\text{kg} \cdot \text{K})(1200 \text{ K}) \ln \frac{600 \text{ kPa}}{300 \text{ kPa}} \\ &= 332.8 \text{ kJ} \end{aligned}$$

since $\frac{V_2}{V_1} = \frac{P_1}{P_2}$ for an isothermal process.

Substituting these values into energy balance equation,

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\text{in}} &= W_{b,\text{out},1-2} + mc_v(T_3 - T_1) \\ &= 332.8 \text{ kJ} + (1.394 \text{ kg})(0.718 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K})(300 - 1200) \text{ K} \\ &= \mathbf{-568 \text{ kJ}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$Q_{\text{out}} = \mathbf{568 \text{ kJ}}$$

