

## Thermodynamics lecture 4.

W.A.L.T.      *Mostly clever examples of reasoning*

1. Adiabatic expansion;  $pV^\gamma$
2. Carnot cycle
3. Clausius and Kelvin statements imply one another
4. Carnot's theorem: efficiency of reversible heat engines
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# How to calculate in thermodynamics

- (1) Identify clearly the thermodynamic system to be treated.
- (2) Identify the nature of the interaction with the surroundings, and hence the type of *process*.
- (3) Use the equation of state to gain information about initial and final conditions.
- (4) At this stage you may well be able to calculate the heat and work inputs to the system, in terms of the state variables, although there may be some unknowns remaining in your expressions.
- (5) If there remain some unknowns, use information about the heat capacity or the energy equation or both.

# Adiabatic (i.e. reversible adiathermal) expansion of ideal gas

For:

- ideal gas
- with constant heat capacities

find:  $pV^\gamma$  = constant during an adiabatic change

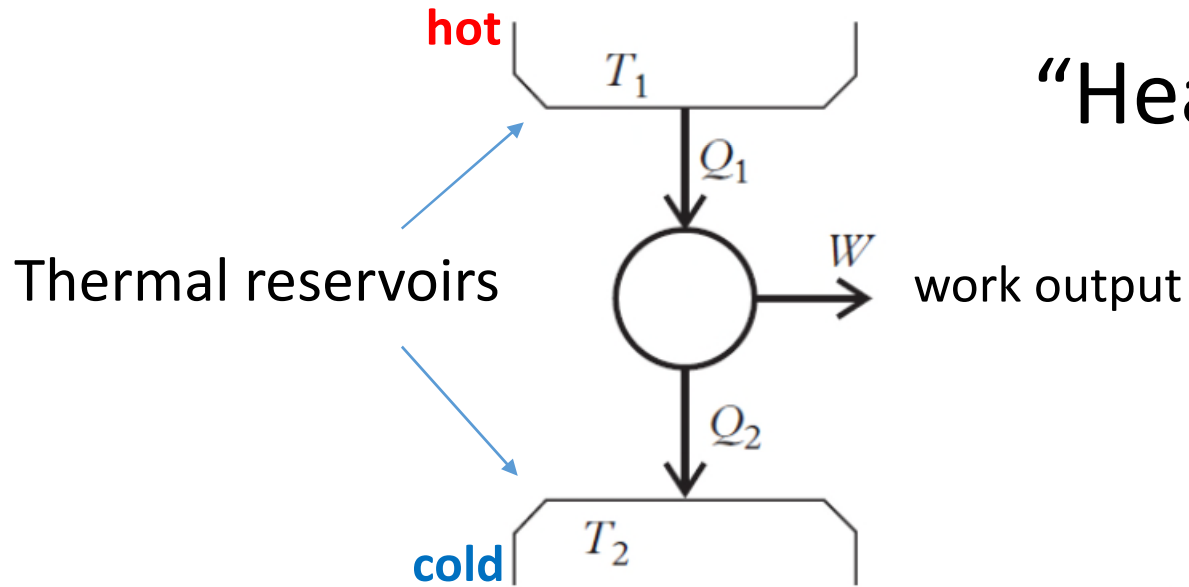
where  $\gamma \equiv \frac{C_p}{C_V}$  (“adiabatic index”)

# Example

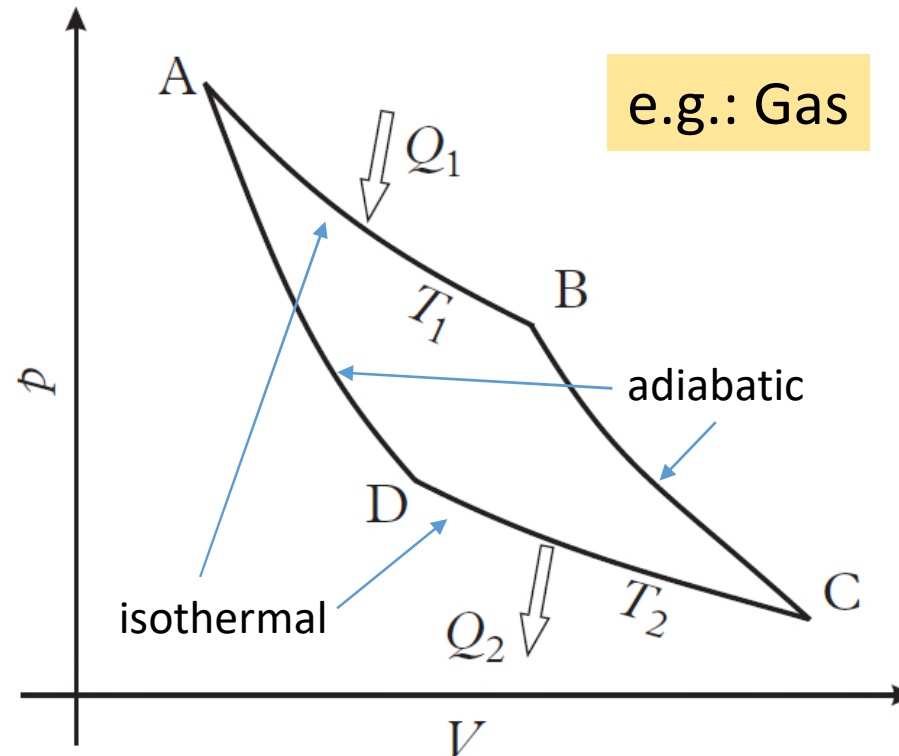
- (i) Explain carefully why, when gas leaks slowly out of a chamber, the expansion of the gas remaining in the chamber may be expected to be adiabatic (that is, quasistatic and without heat exchange). [Hint: choose carefully the physical system you wish to consider.]
- (ii) A gas with  $\gamma = 5/3$  leaks out of a chamber. If the initial pressure is  $32p_0$  and the final pressure is  $p_0$ , show that the temperature falls by a factor 4, and that  $1/8$  of the particles remain in the chamber.

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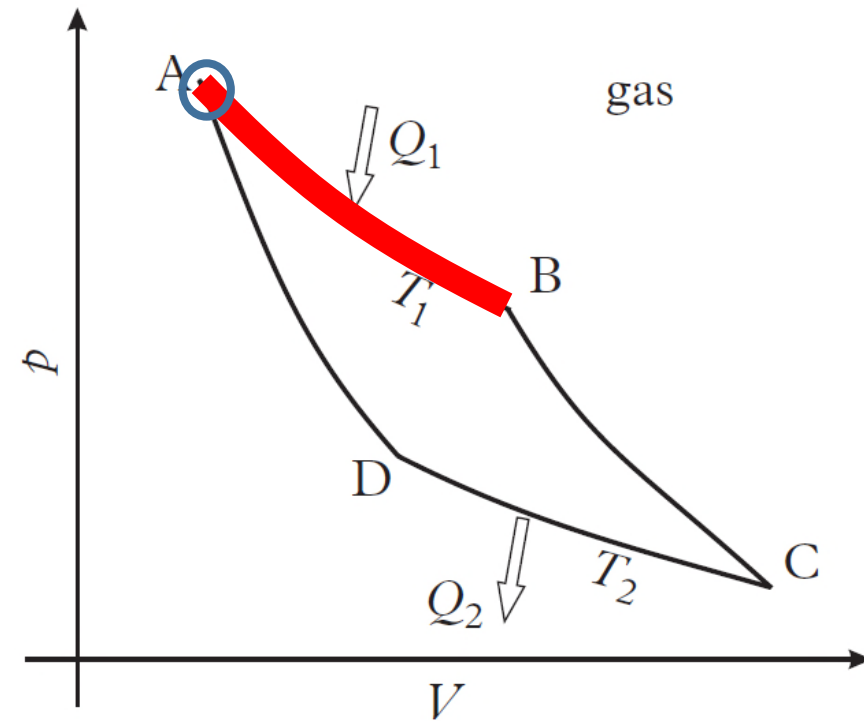
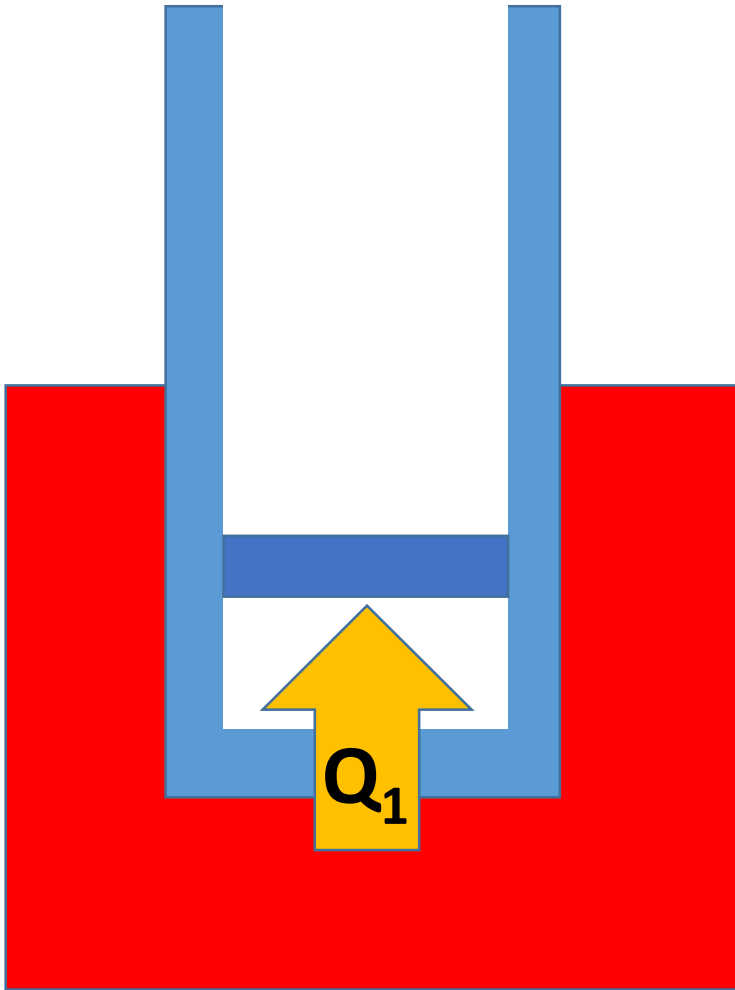
# “Heat engine”

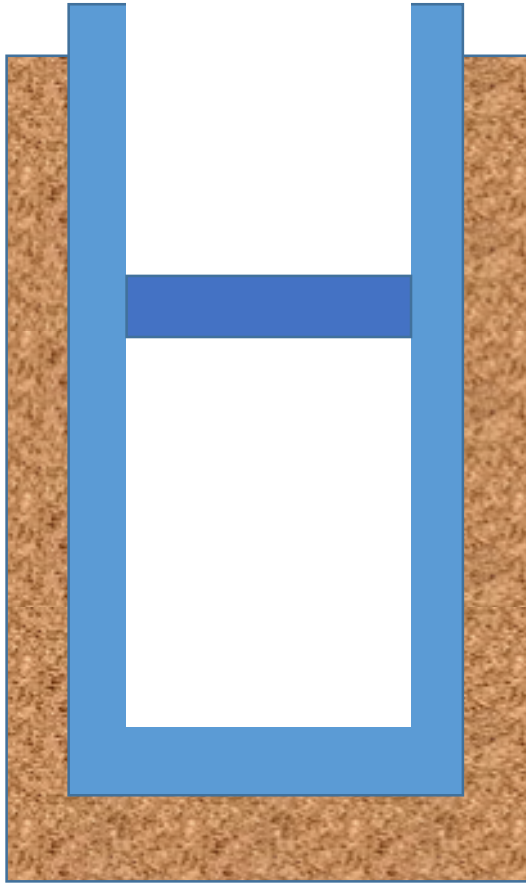


**Carnot cycle:**  
2 adiabatic and  
2 isothermal stages

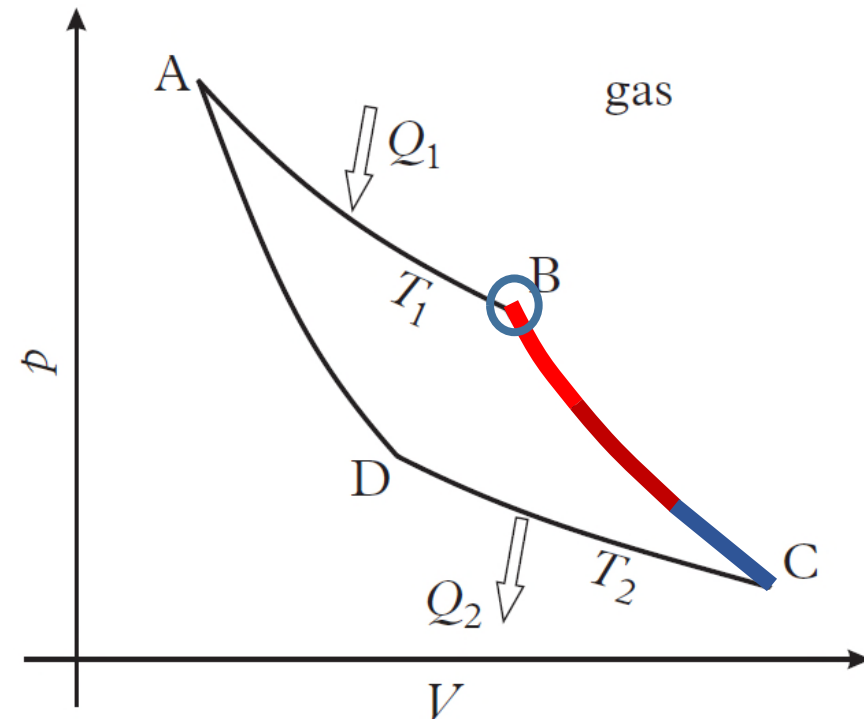


1. Thermal contact between the container and hot reservoir;  
allow the fluid to expand.



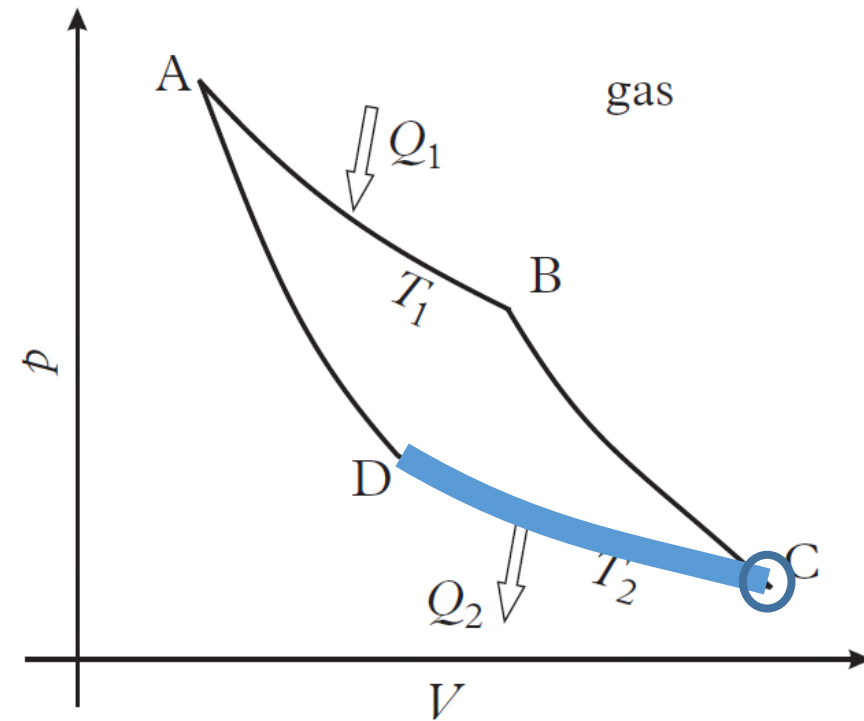
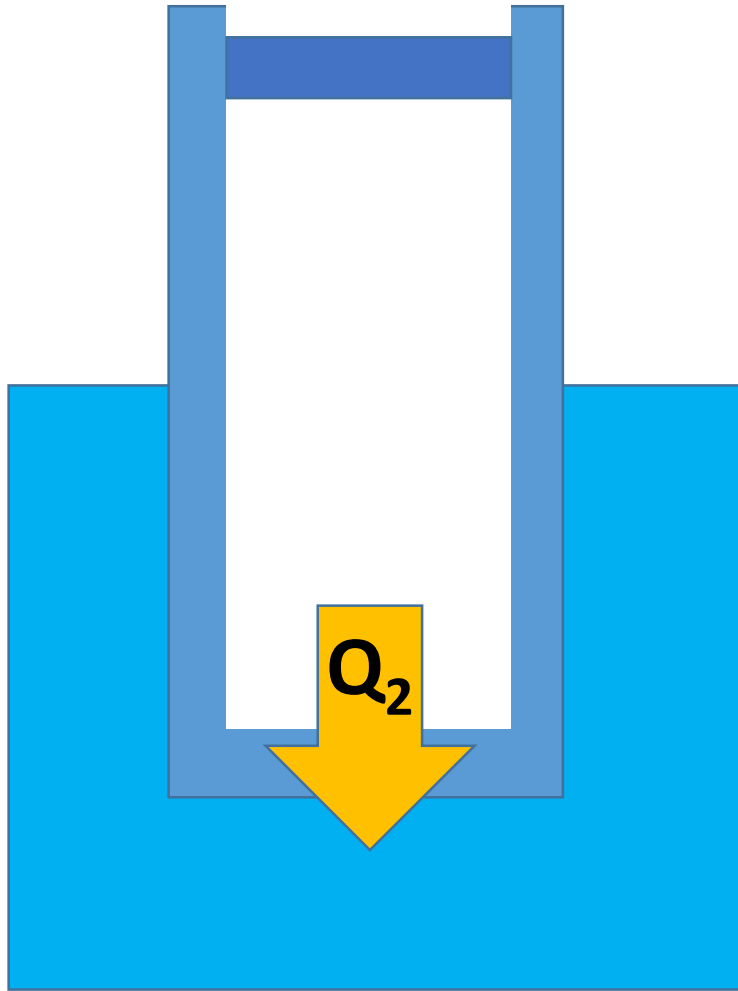


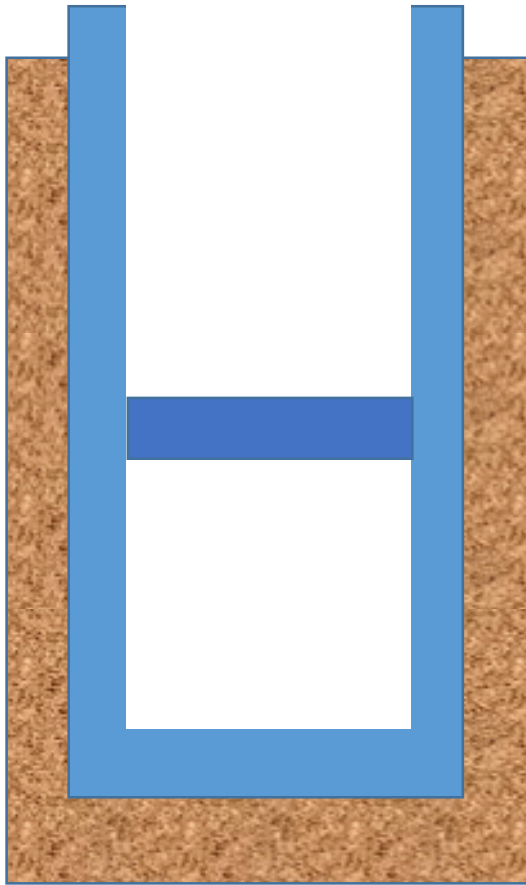
2. Thermally isolate the fluid and have it expand some more (so the fluid cools down).



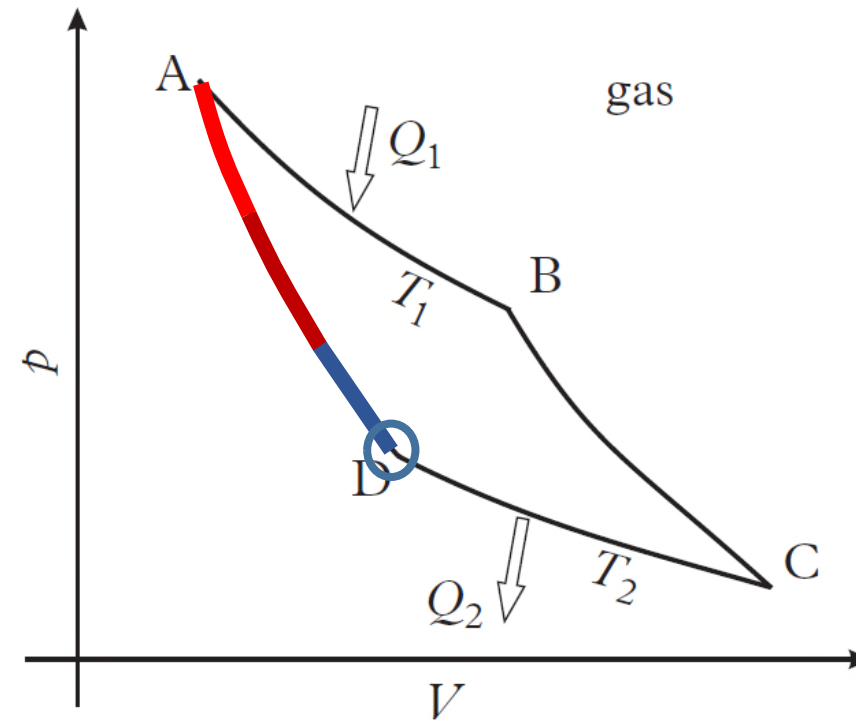


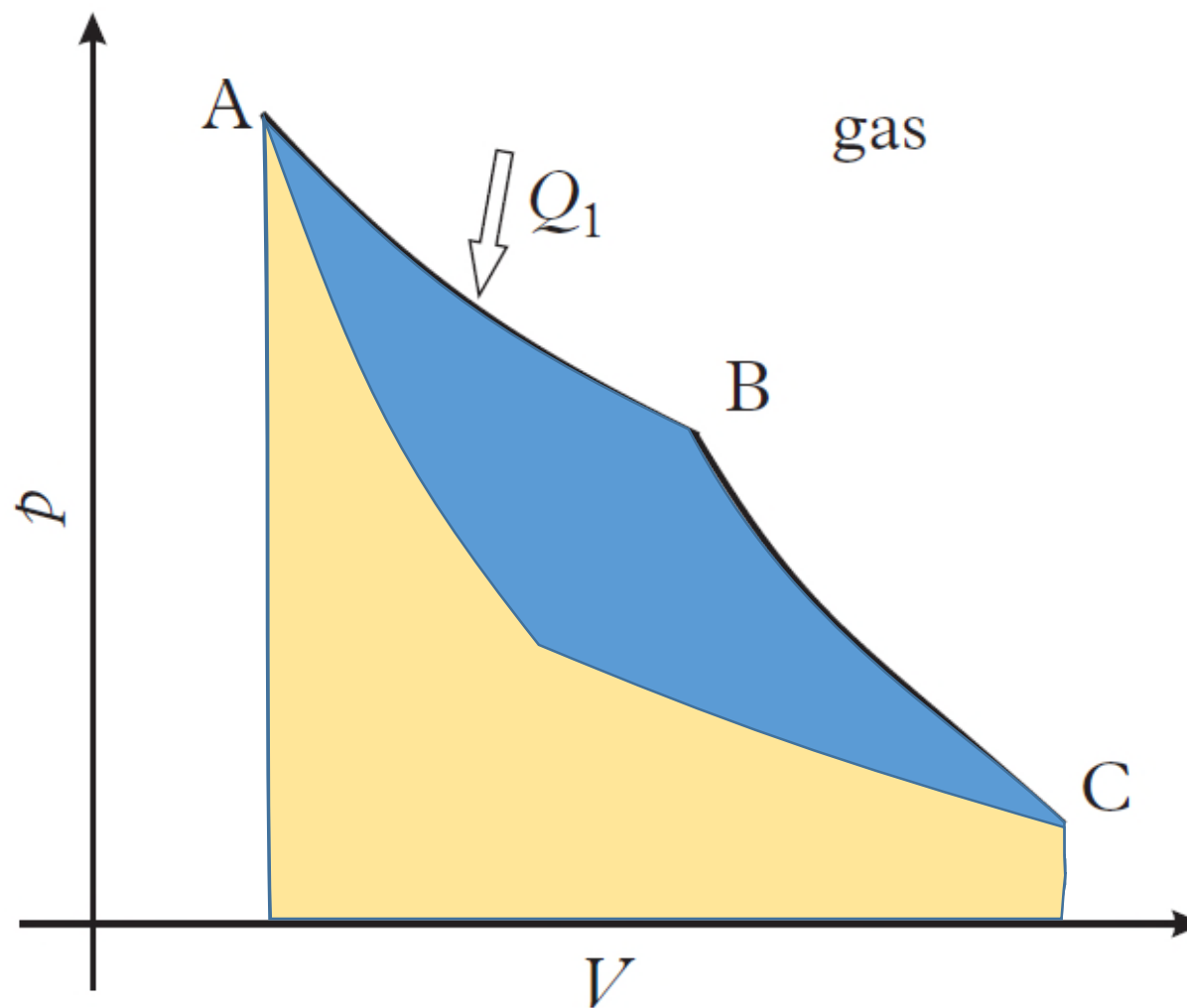
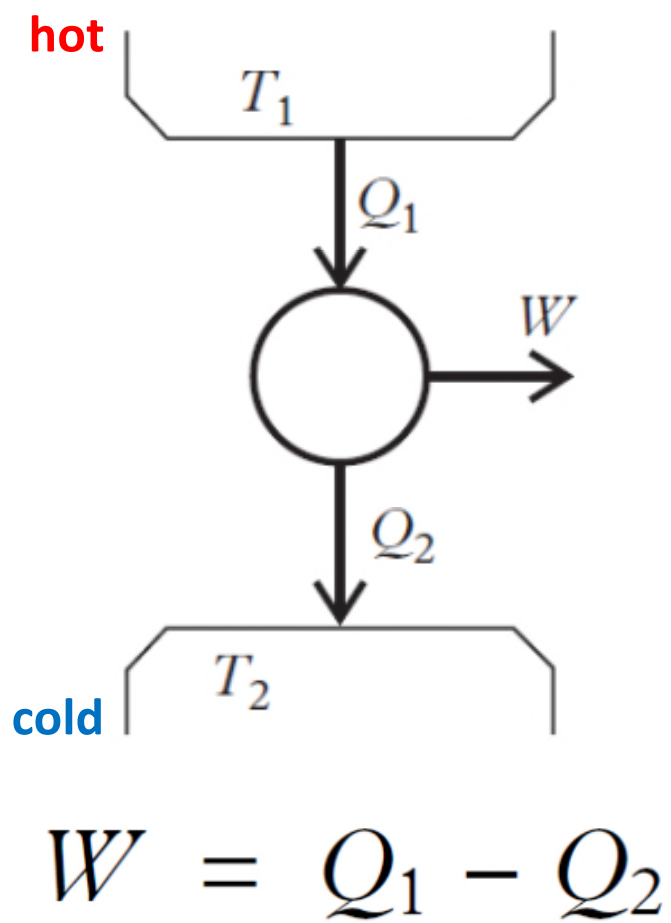
3. Contact the container with a cold reservoir and compress the fluid (the reservoir keeps it cool).

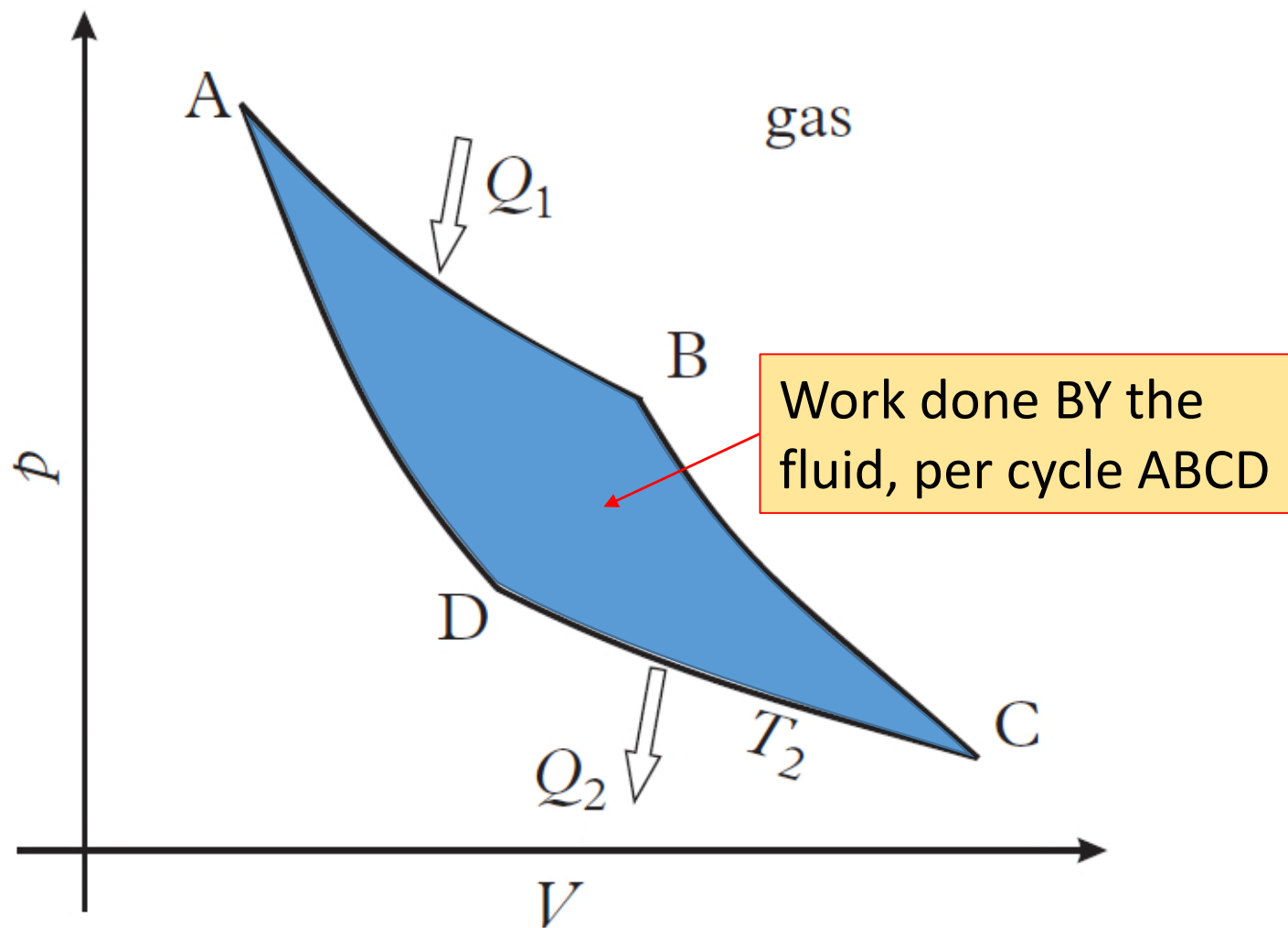
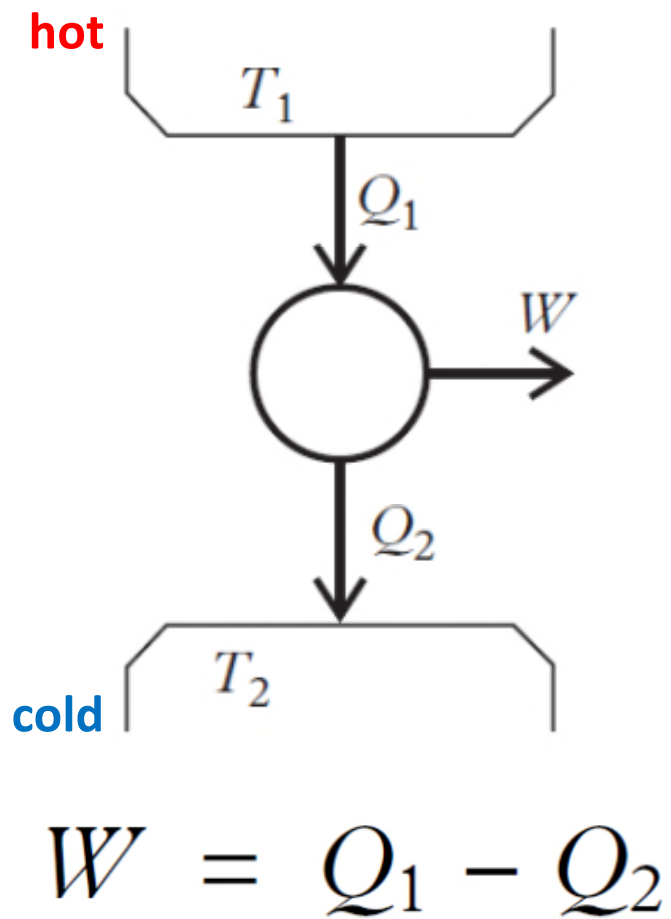




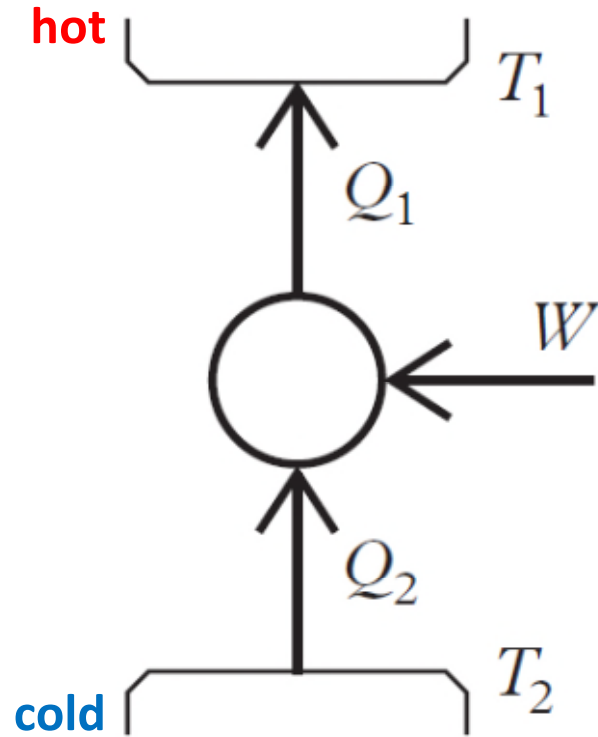
4. Thermally isolate the fluid and compress it some more (so it gets hotter).







We can run the same cycle in reverse:



## Heat pump

E.g.

- Refrigerator
- Air conditioning unit

Any type of system can have a Carnot cycle:

Solid / liquid / gas

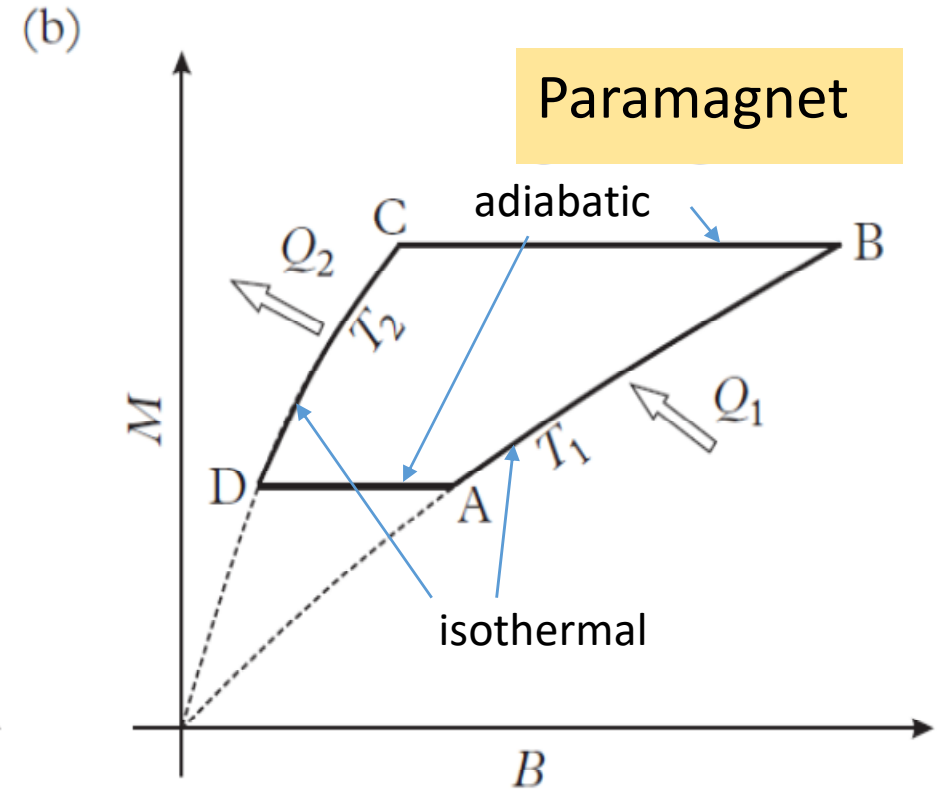
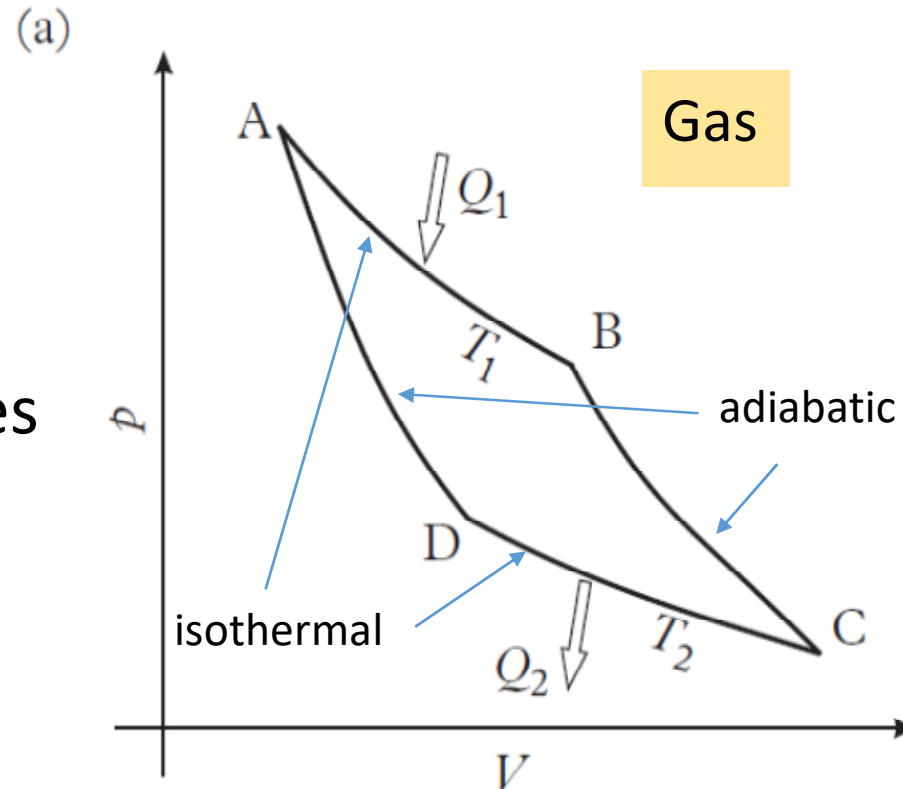
Magnetic

Electric

Soap film

Etc.

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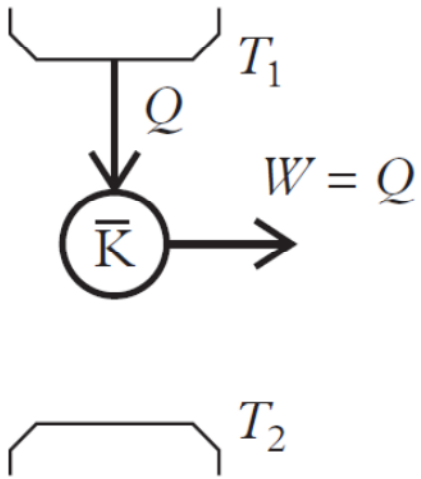
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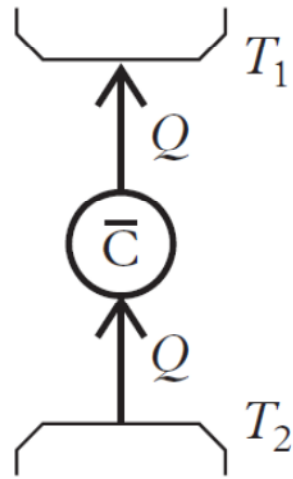
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*A beautifully elegant  
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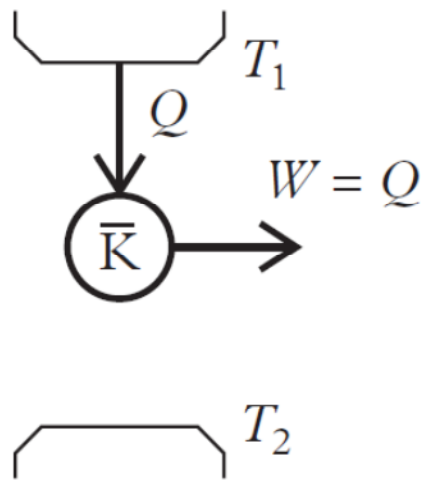
*Clausius statement:*

No process is possible whose sole effect is the transfer of heat from a colder to a hotter body.

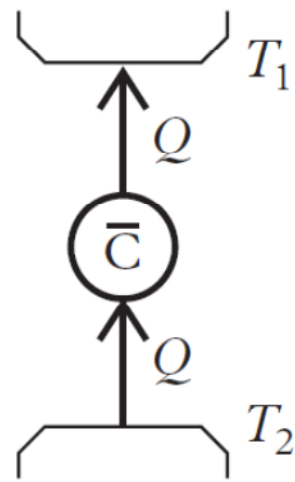
*Kelvin statement:*

No process is possible whose sole effect is to extract heat from a single reservoir and convert it into an equivalent amount of work.



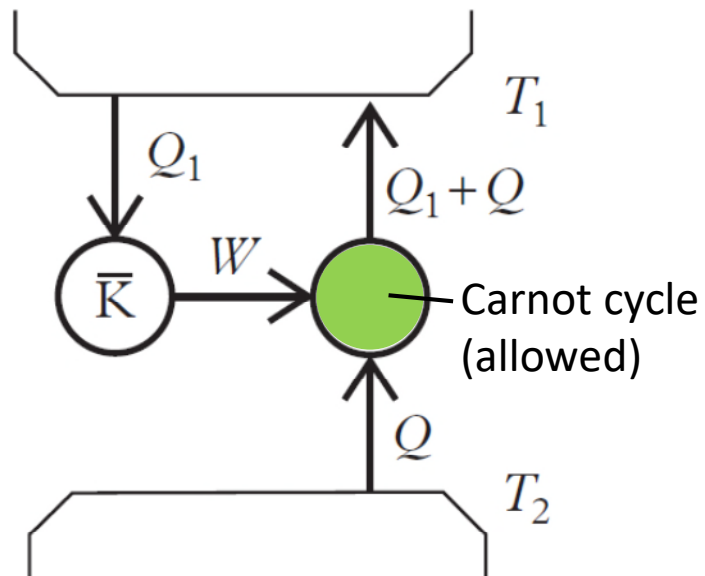


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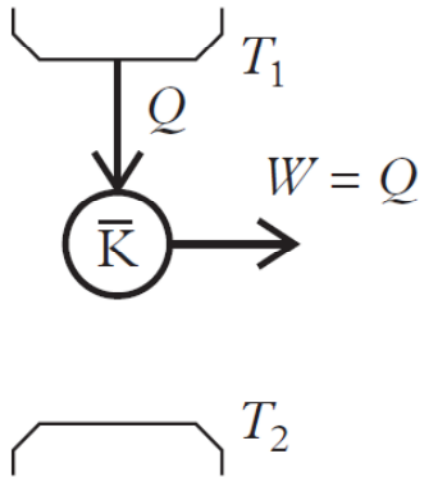


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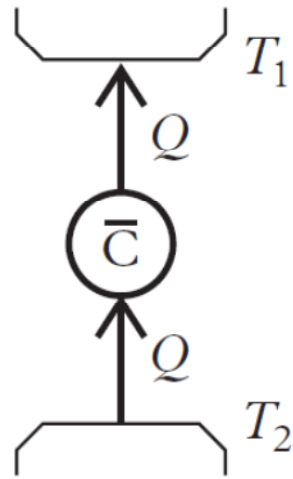
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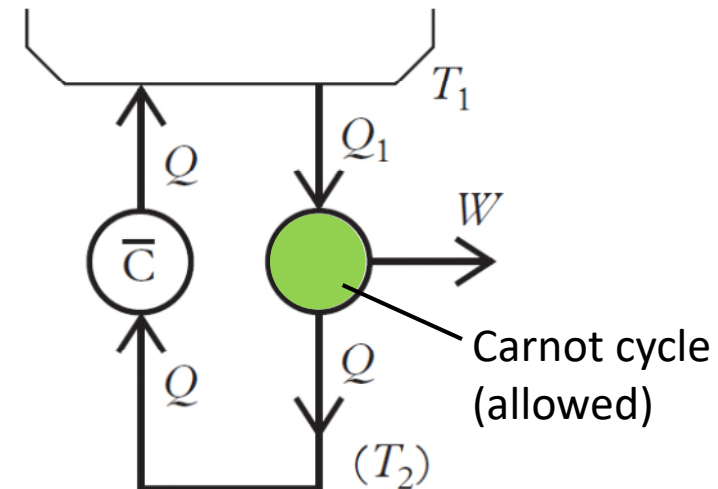
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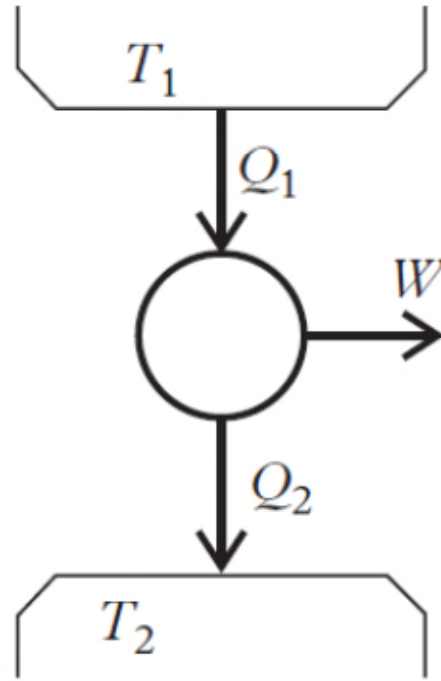
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Definition of efficiency  
of a heat engine

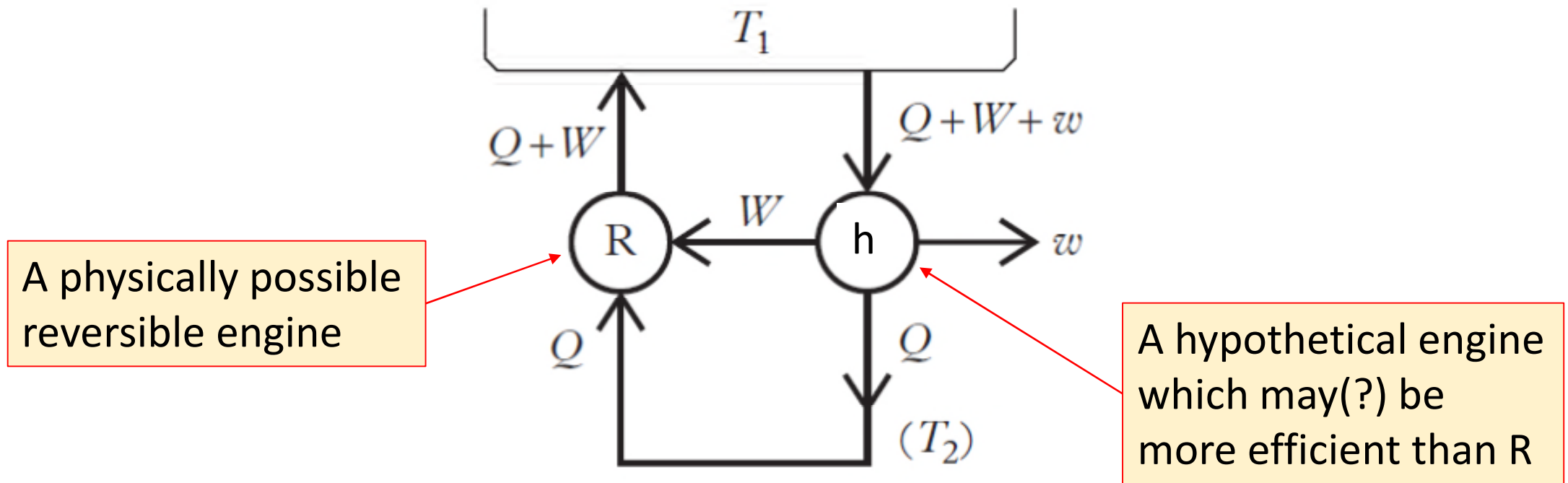


$$W = Q_1 - Q_2$$

Efficiency

$$\eta = \frac{W}{Q_1} = 1 - \frac{Q_2}{Q_1}$$

# Carnot's theorem

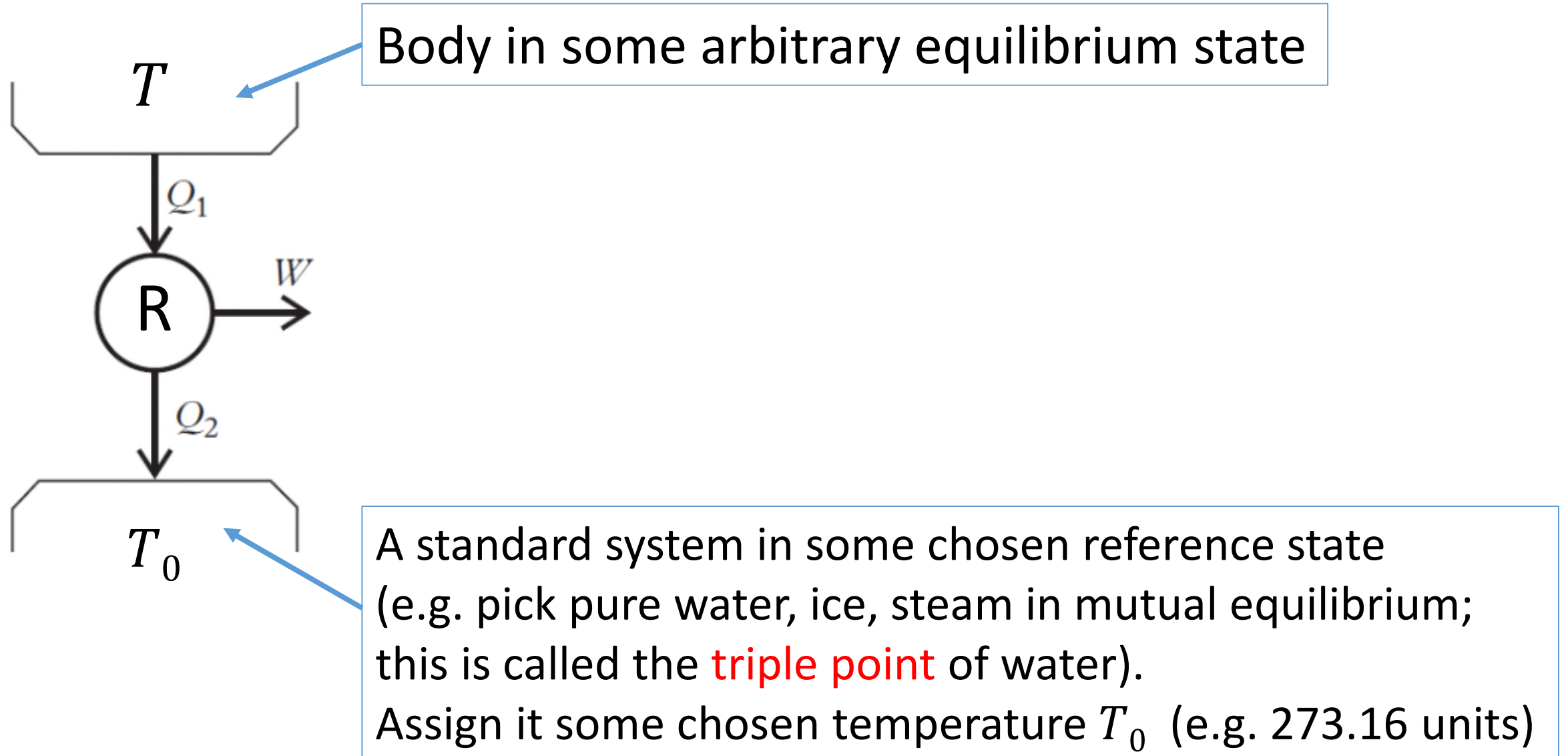


*All reversible heat engines operating between given temperatures are equally efficient, and more efficient than non-reversible ones, no matter what the engines' internal construction or physical parameters may be (whether pressure, or magnetic fields, or whatever).*

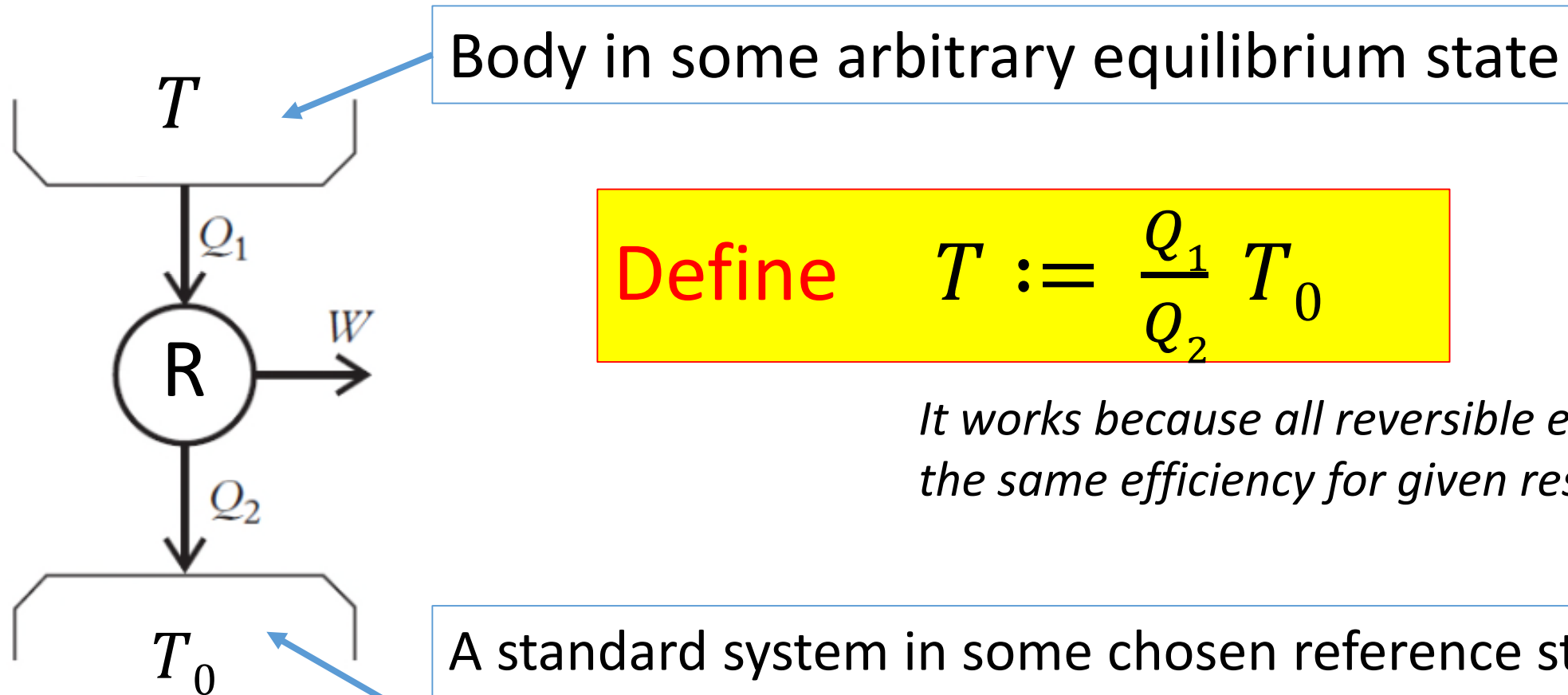
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Clever definition.

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Define 
$$T := \frac{Q_1}{Q_2} T_0$$

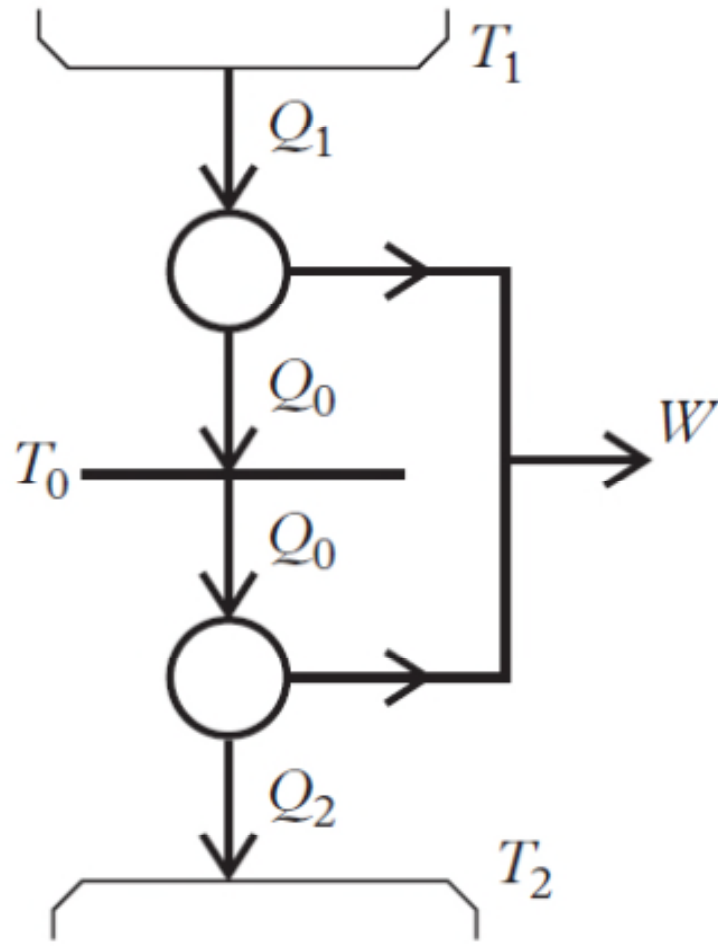
*It works because all reversible engines have the same efficiency for given reservoirs.*

A standard system in some chosen reference state (e.g. pick pure water, ice, steam in mutual equilibrium; this is called the **triple point** of water).  
Assign it some chosen temperature  $T_0$  (e.g. 273.16 units)



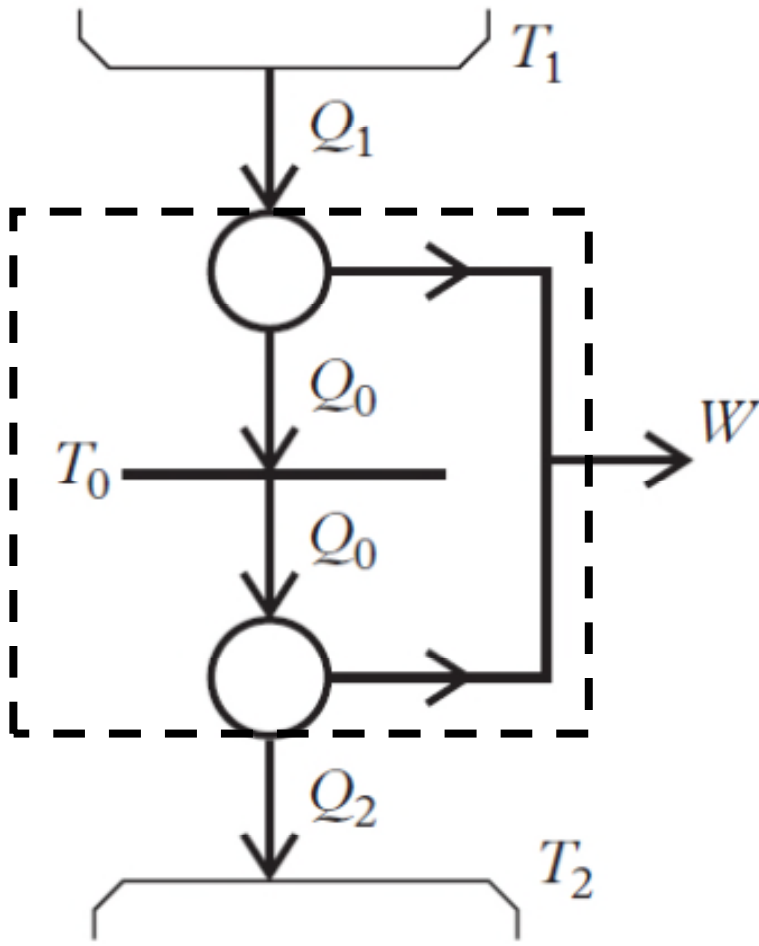
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$$\frac{Q_1}{Q_2} = \frac{T_1}{T_2}$$

# Hot heat is more valuable than cold heat

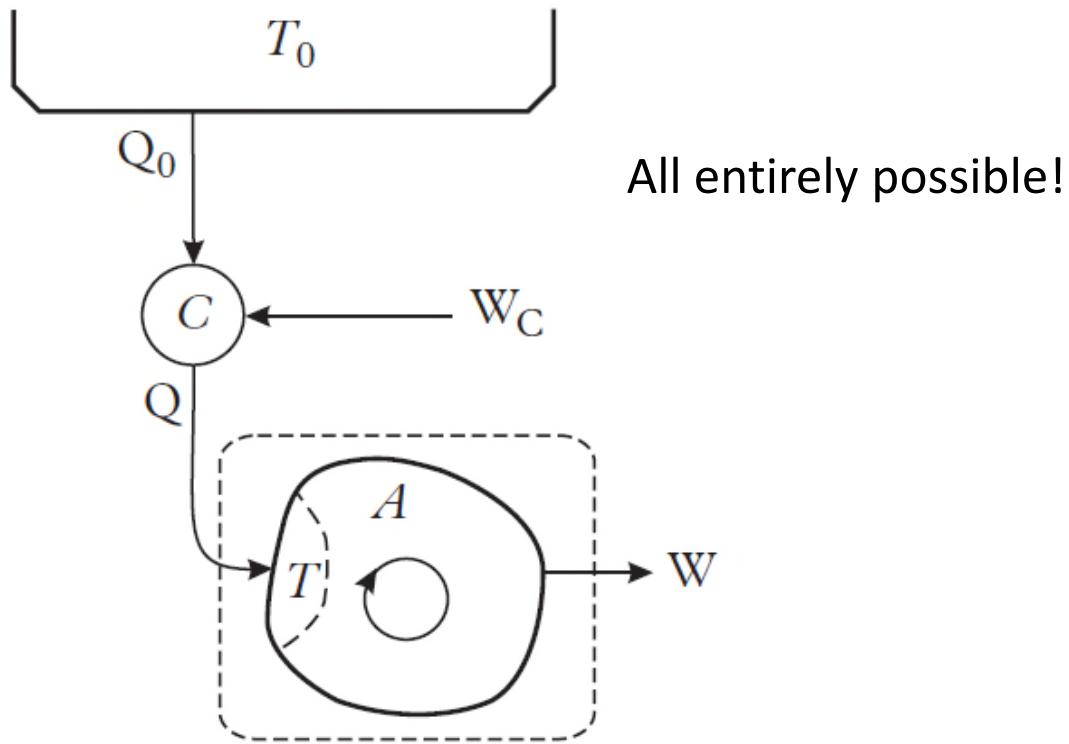
*Heat energy delivered by a system at high temperature is more valuable (can be used to drive a greater variety of processes) than the same amount of heat at low temperature.*

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Per cycle:

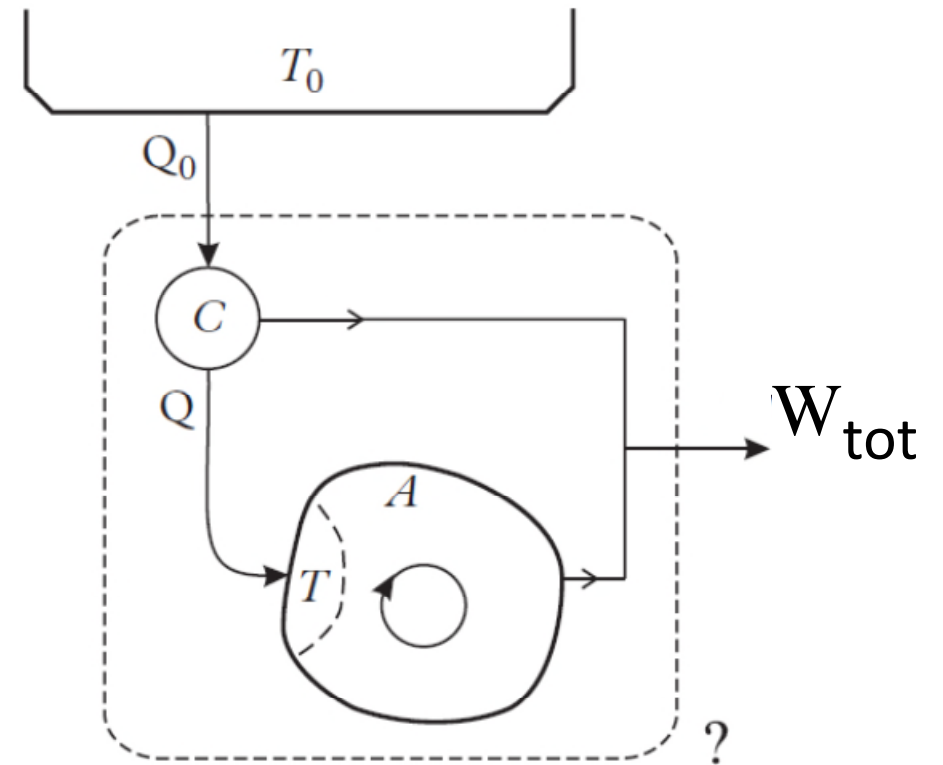
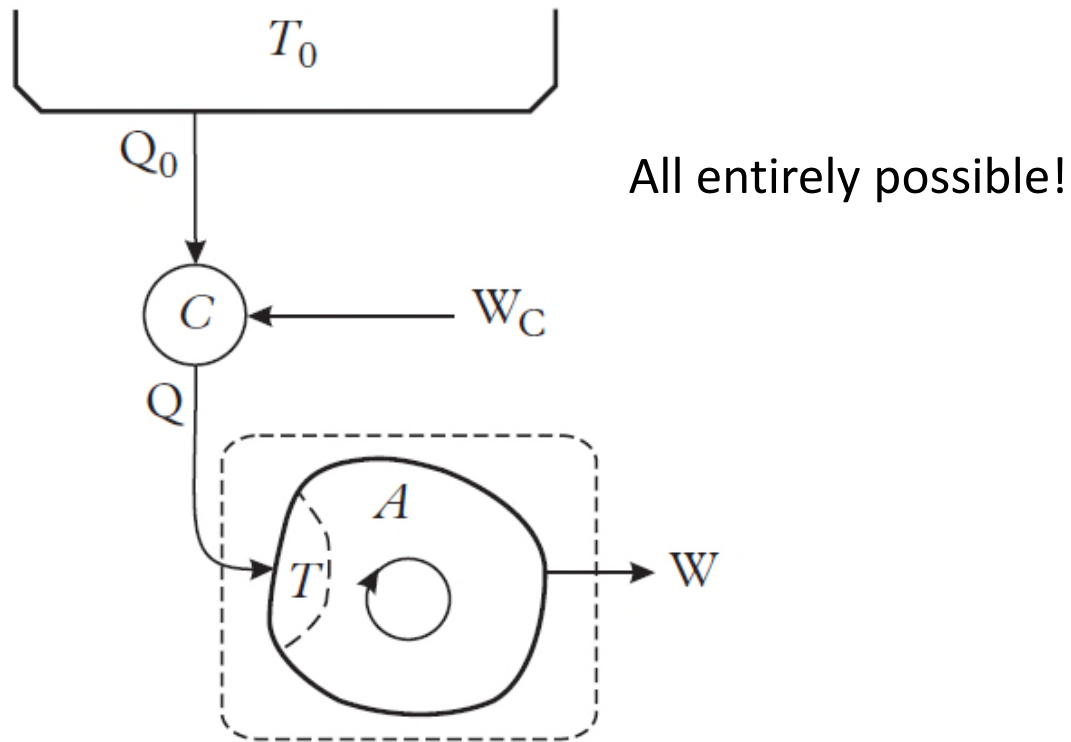
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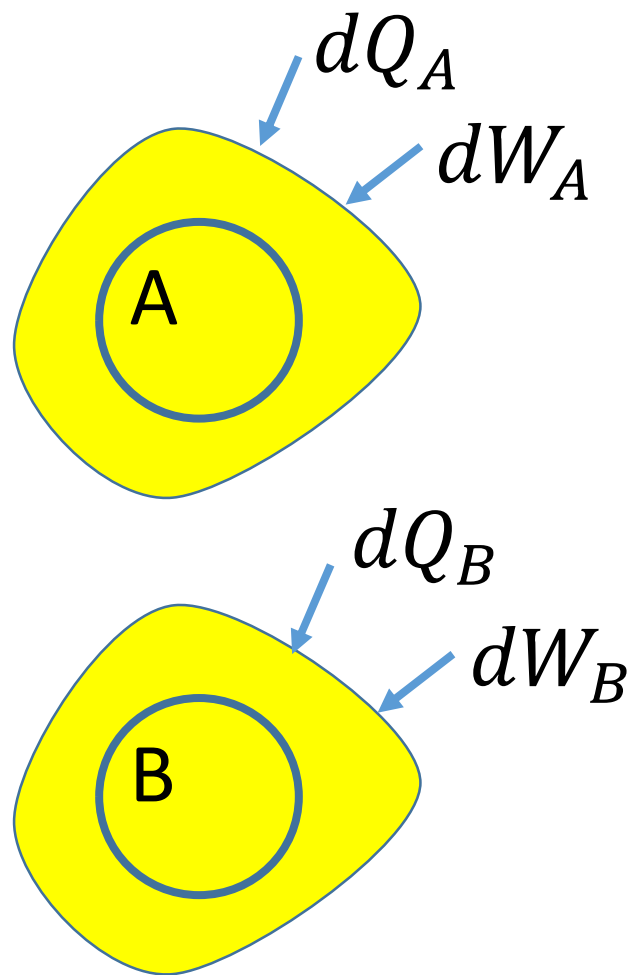
$$\leq 0$$

(Kelvin statement)

# Clausius' theorem, first part

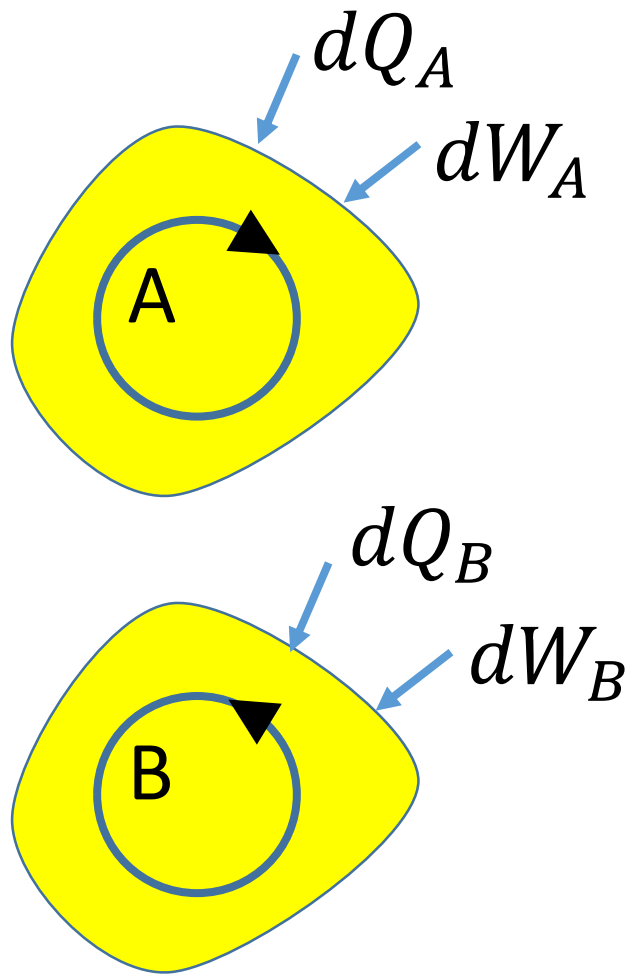
For any cycle:

$$\oint \frac{1}{T} \mathrm{d}Q \leq 0.$$



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But now suppose process  $B$  is the reverse of process  $A$  in all respects (only possible for reversible processes). In this case we will have, at each stage,

$$dQ_B = -dQ_A \quad \text{and} \quad T_B = T_A$$

so in this case the second result above can be written

$$\oint \frac{-dQ_A}{T_A} \leq 0.$$

But, for any  $x$ , if  $x \leq 0$  and  $-x \leq 0$  then  $x = 0$ . Therefore we must have

$$\oint \frac{dQ_A}{T_A} = 0.$$

Conclusion: this integral is zero for any reversible process.

# Clausius' theorem, in full:

**Clausius's theorem** The integral  $\oint \mathrm{d}Q/T \leq 0$  for any closed cycle, where equality holds if and only if the cycle is reversible.

# Definition of ENTROPY

A function of state, applicable to ANY thermodynamic system, whose value changes by

$$dS = \frac{\bar{d}Q_R}{T}$$

when heat  $\bar{d}Q_R$  passes into the system by a reversible heat transfer.

Fundamental relation for a closed system

$$dU = TdS - pdV$$

{heat engine, second law}  $\rightarrow$  Carnot theorem:  $\eta \leq \eta_R$

$\rightarrow$  absolute temperature :

$$\frac{Q_1}{Q_2} = \frac{T_1}{T_2}.$$

{heat ratio, Kelvin statement}  $\rightarrow$  Clausius theorem:

$$\begin{cases} \oint \frac{\bar{d}Q}{T} \leq 0 \\ \oint \frac{\bar{d}Q_R}{T} = 0 \end{cases}$$

$\rightarrow \exists$  entropy!,  $dS = \frac{\bar{d}Q_R}{T}$ .

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