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Physics 831 Quiz #6 - Friday, Oct. 13 2017

Work in groups of three or four:

1. Consider an engine that works in a PV cycle $a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow d \rightarrow a \cdots$. The equation of state is that of a monotonic ideal gas.

$$P_a = P_b = 2P_0, \qquad P_c = P_d = P_0$$
$$V_a = V_d = V_0, \qquad V_b = V_c = 2V_0.$$

- (a) (5 pts) What is the work done in the cycle?
- (b) (5 pts) What is the efficiency of the engine?
- 2. An ideal gas of particles of mass m is initially: at a uniform temperature T_0 , has zero collective velocity, and as far as the eye can see, the number density profile initially has an exponential profile in the x direction:

$$\rho(x,t=0) = \rho_0 e^{-x/\lambda}$$

The gas then expands expands hyrodynamically. For a solution, assume the velocity is independent of x and rises linearly in time, $v = \alpha t$.

(a) (5 pts) Find α .

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- (b) (5 pts) What is the temperature, T(x, t)?
- (c) (5 pts) What is the density profile, $\rho(x, t)$?

The equations of hydrodynamics are:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D}{Dt}v &= -\frac{\partial_x P}{m\rho}, \\ \frac{D}{Dt}\rho &= -\rho\partial_x v, \\ \frac{D}{Dt}\epsilon &= -(P+\epsilon)\nabla\cdot\mathbf{v}, \\ \frac{D}{Dt} &= \partial_t + v\partial_x. \end{aligned}$$

