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Chapter 3
Otto and Diesel **CYCLES**

Objectives

- Evaluate the performance of gas power cycles for which the working fluid remains a gas throughout the entire cycle.
- Develop simplifying assumptions applicable to gas power cycles.
- Review the operation of reciprocating engines.
- Solve problems based on the Otto and Diesel,

AN OVERVIEW OF RECIPROCATING ENGINES

Compression ratio

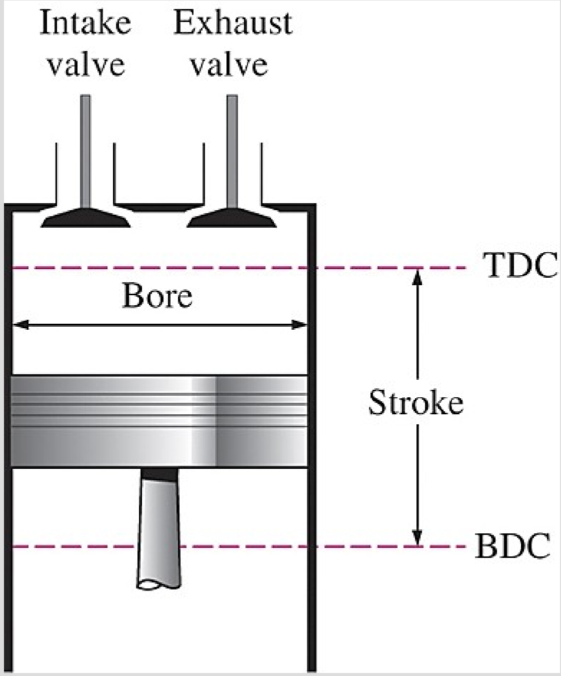
$$r = \frac{V_{max}}{V_{min}} = \frac{V_{BDC}}{V_{TDC}}$$

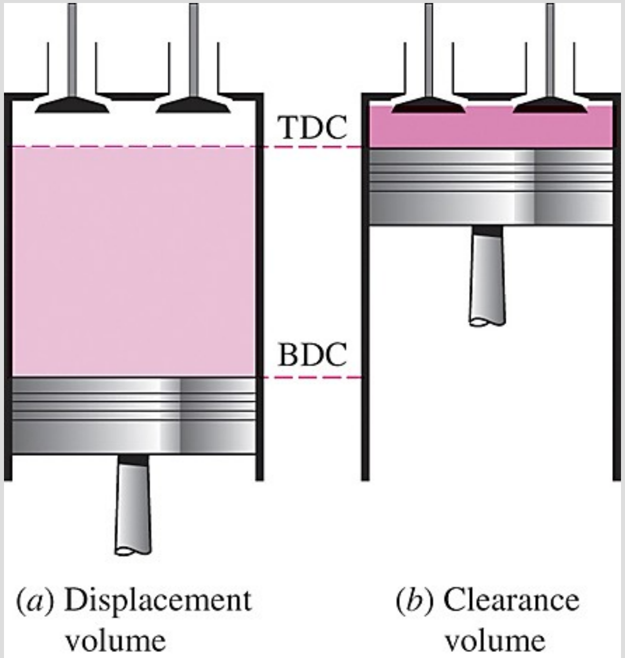
$$W_{net} = \text{MEP} \times \text{Piston area} \times \text{Stroke} = \text{MEP} \times \text{Displacement volume}$$

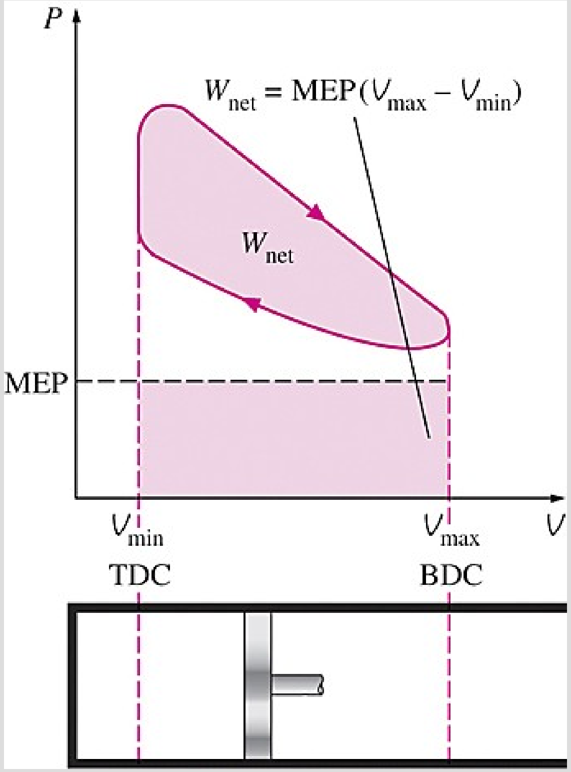
Mean effective pressure

$$\text{MEP} = \frac{W_{net}}{V_{max} - V_{min}} = \frac{w_{net}}{v_{max} - v_{min}} \quad \text{(kPa)}$$

- **Spark-ignition (SI) engines**
- **Compression-ignition (CI) engines**

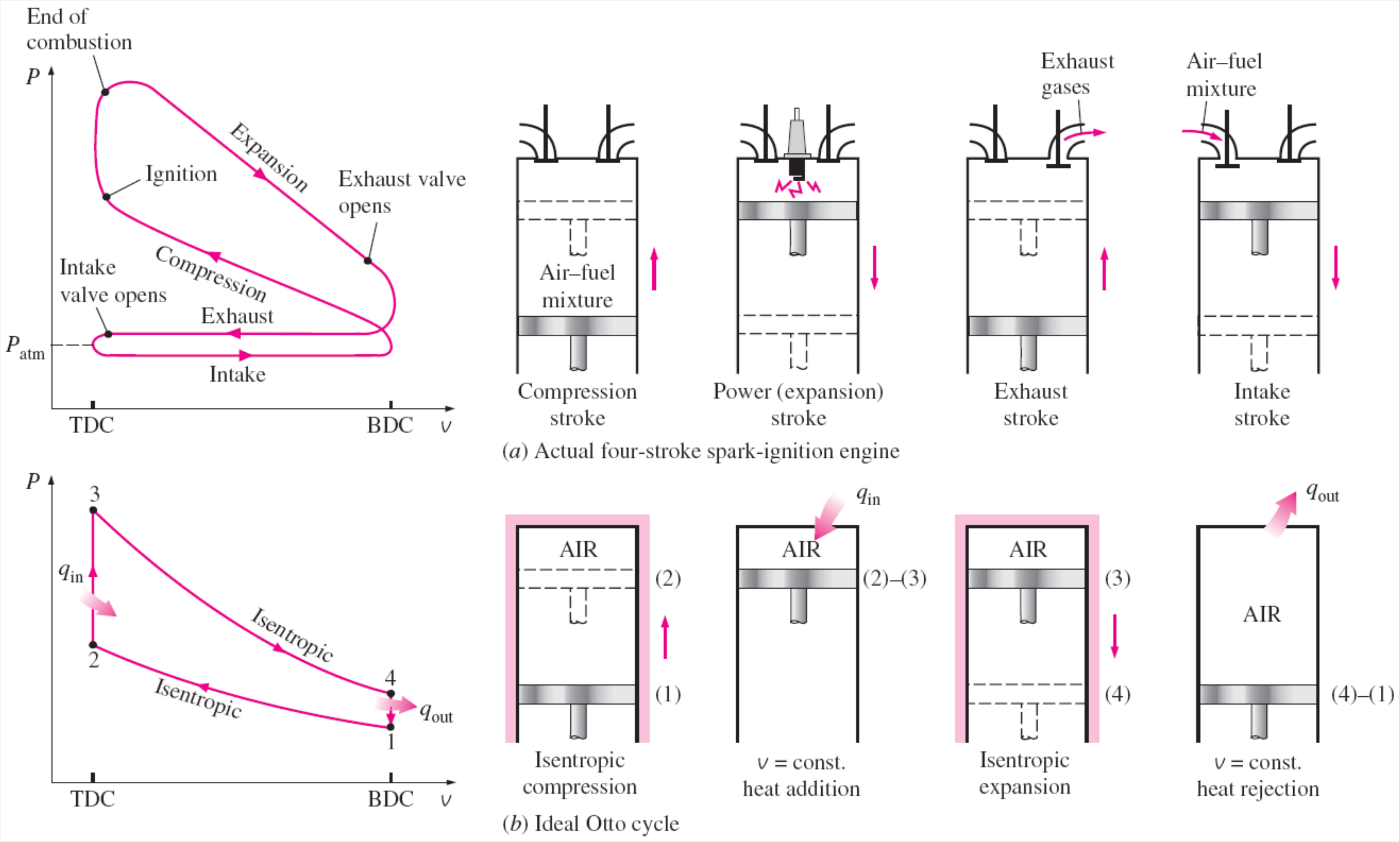






Nomenclature for reciprocating engines.

OTTO CYCLE: THE IDEAL CYCLE FOR SPARK-IGNITION ENGINES



Actual and ideal cycles in spark-ignition engines and their *P*-*v* diagrams.

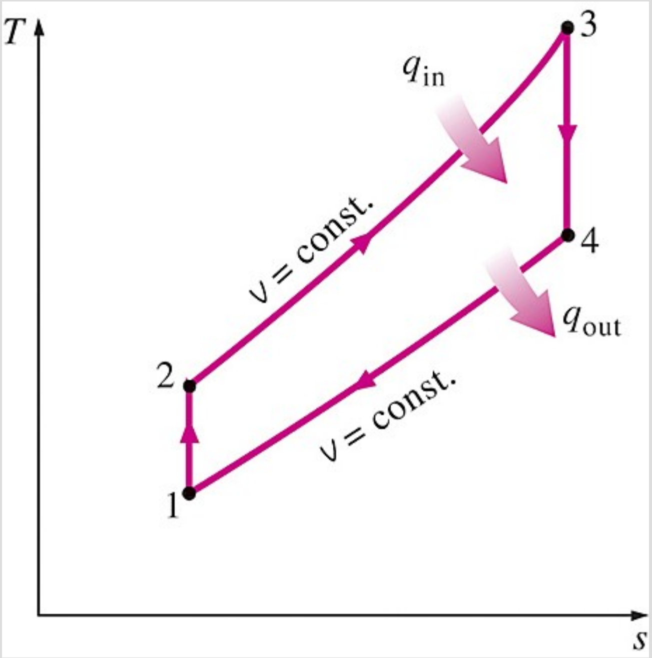
Four-stroke cycle

1 cycle = 4 stroke = 2 revolution

Two-stroke cycle

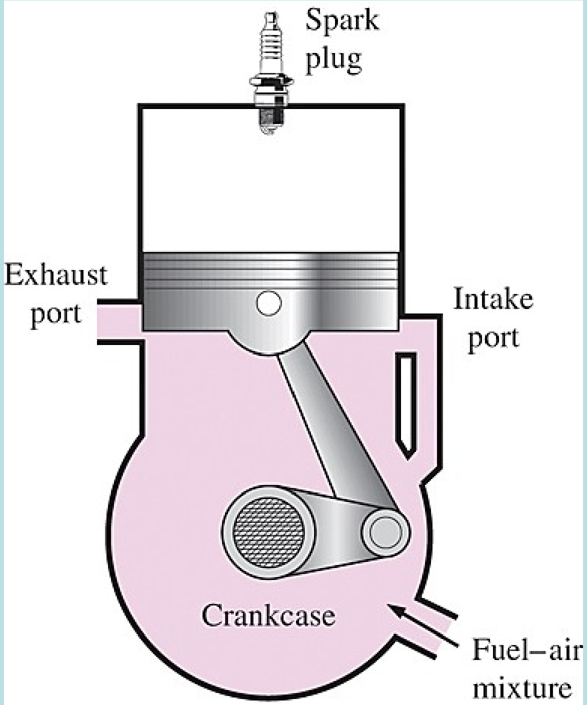
1 cycle = 2 stroke = 1 revolution

1-2	Isentropic compression
2-3	Constant-volume heat addition
3-4	Isentropic expansion
4-1	Constant-volume heat rejection

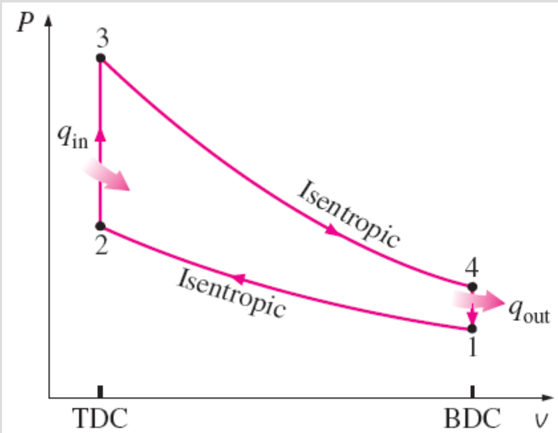


T-s diagram of the ideal Otto cycle.

The two-stroke engines are generally less efficient than their four-stroke counterparts but they are relatively simple and inexpensive, and they have high power-to-weight and power-to-volume ratios.



Schematic of a two-stroke reciprocating engine.



$$(q_{in} - q_{out}) + (w_{in} - w_{out}) = h_{exit} - h_{inlet}$$

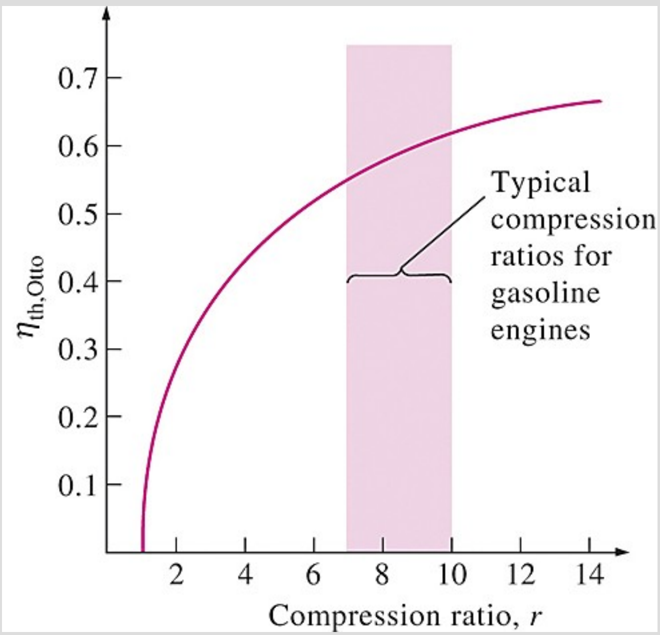
$$q_{in} = u_3 - u_2 = c_v(T_3 - T_2)$$

$$q_{out} = u_4 - u_1 = c_v(T_4 - T_1)$$

$$\eta_{th,Otto} = \frac{w_{net}}{q_{in}} = 1 - \frac{q_{out}}{q_{in}} = 1 - \frac{T_4 - T_1}{T_3 - T_2} = 1 - \frac{T_1(T_4/T_1 - 1)}{T_2(T_3/T_2 - 1)}$$

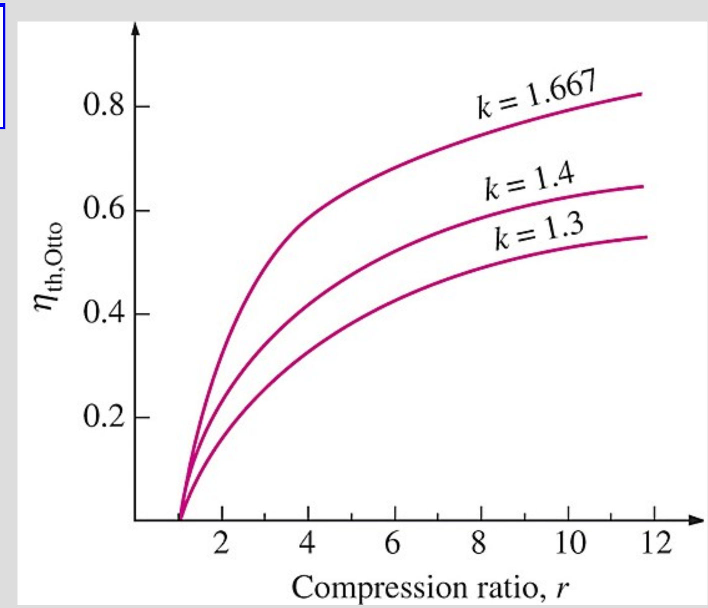
$$\frac{T_1}{T_2} = \left(\frac{v_2}{v_1}\right)^{k-1} = \left(\frac{v_3}{v_4}\right)^{k-1} = \frac{T_4}{T_3}$$

$$r = \frac{V_{max}}{V_{min}} = \frac{V_1}{V_2} = \frac{v_1}{v_2}$$



$$\eta_{th,Otto} = 1 - \frac{1}{r^{k-1}}$$

In SI engines, the compression ratio is limited by autoignition or engine knock.

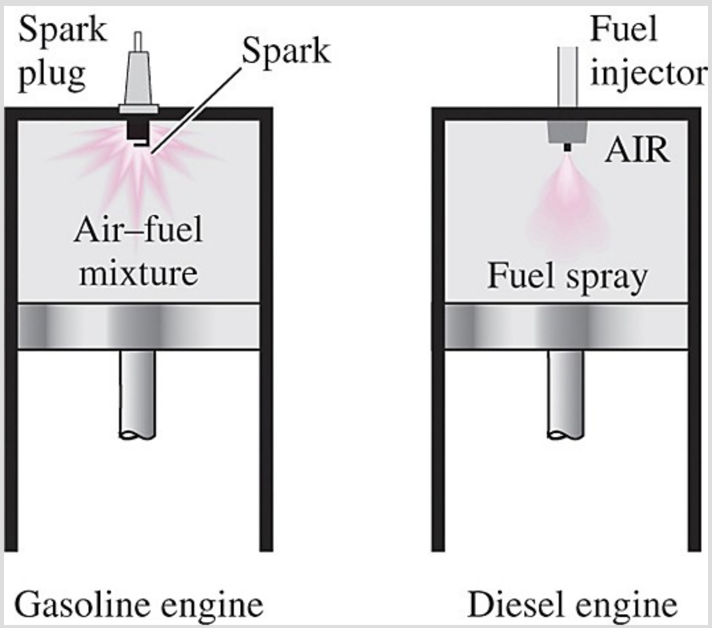


The thermal efficiency of the Otto cycle increases with the specific heat ratio k of the working fluid.

Thermal efficiency of the ideal Otto cycle as a function of compression ratio (k = 1.4).

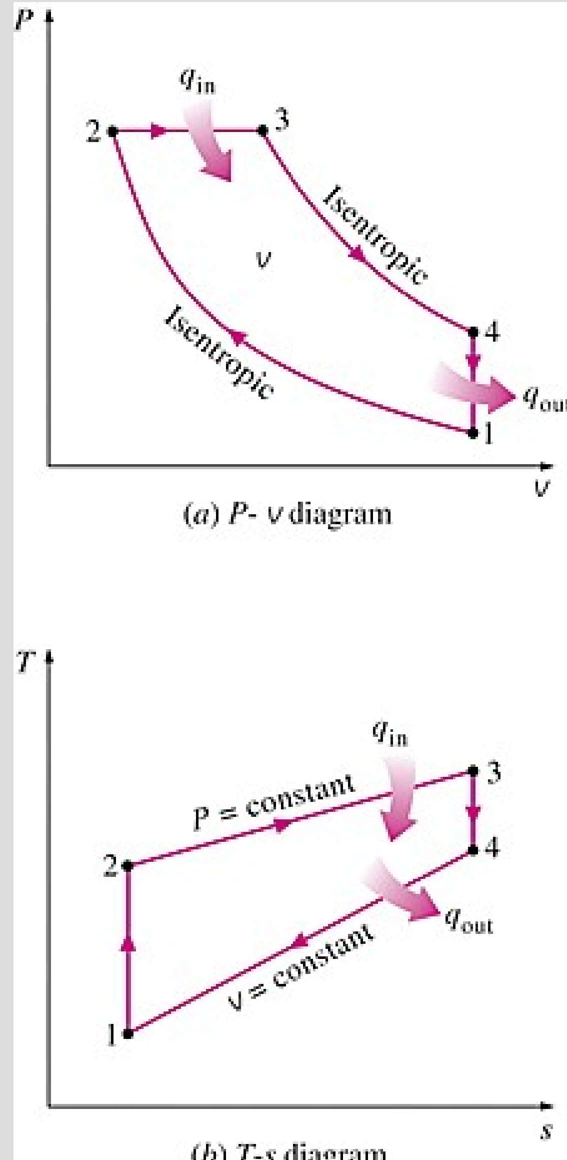
DIESEL CYCLE: THE IDEAL CYCLE FOR COMPRESSION-IGNITION ENGINES

In diesel engines, only air is compressed during the compression stroke, eliminating the possibility of autoignition (engine knock). Therefore, diesel engines can be designed to operate at much higher compression ratios than SI engines, typically between 12 and 24.



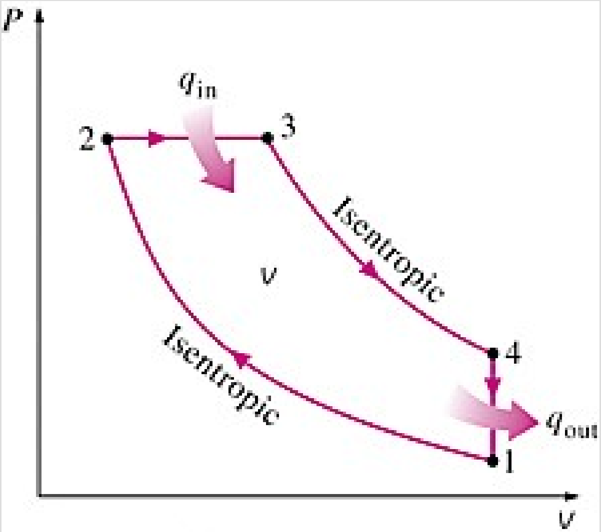
- **1-2** isentropic compression
- **2-3** constant-volume heat addition
- **3-4** isentropic expansion
- **4-1** constant-volume heat rejection.

In diesel engines, the spark plug is replaced by a fuel injector, and only air is compressed during the compression process.

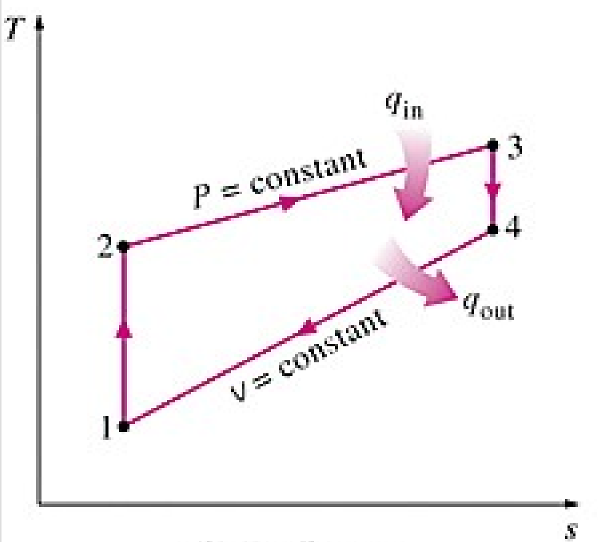


(a) P- v diagram

(b) T-s diagram



(a) P- v diagram



(b) T-s diagram

$$q_{in} - w_{b,out} = u_3 - u_2 \rightarrow q_{in} = P_2(v_3 - v_2) + (u_3 - u_2)$$
$$= h_3 - h_2 = c_p(T_3 - T_2)$$

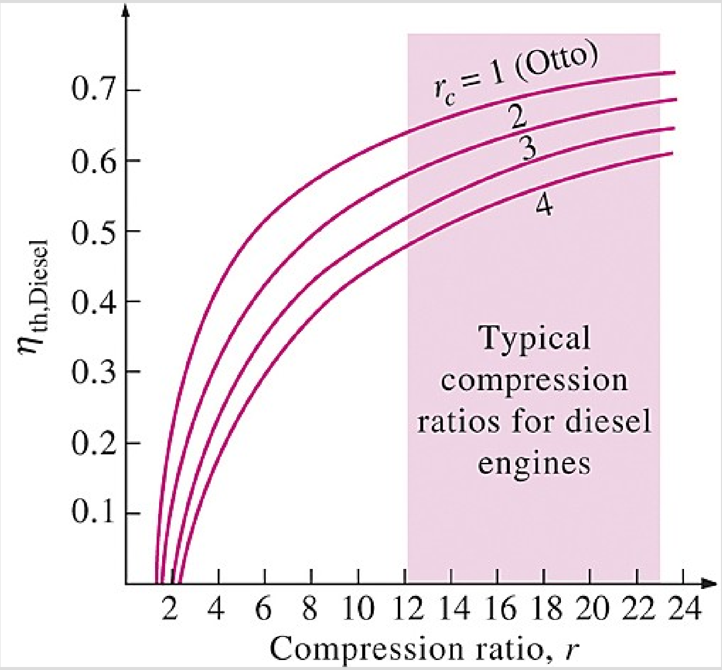
$$-q_{out} = u_1 - u_4 \rightarrow q_{out} = u_4 - u_1 = c_v(T_4 - T_1)$$

$$\eta_{th,Diesel} = \frac{w_{net}}{q_{in}} = 1 - \frac{q_{out}}{q_{in}} = 1 - \frac{T_4 - T_1}{k(T_3 - T_2)} = 1 - \frac{T_1(T_4/T_1 - 1)}{kT_2(T_3/T_2 - 1)}$$

$$r_c = \frac{V_3}{V_2} = \frac{v_3}{v_2}$$ Cutoff ratio

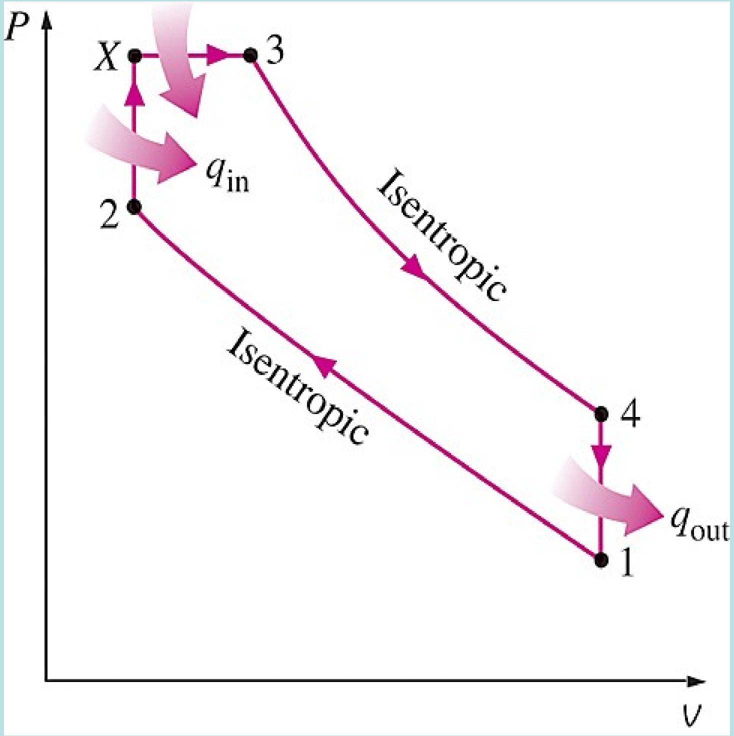
$$\eta_{th,Diesel} = 1 - \frac{1}{r^{k-1}}\left[\frac{r_c^k - 1}{k(r_c - 1)}\right]$$

$\eta_{th,Otto} > \eta_{th,Diesel}$ for the same compression ratio



Thermal efficiency of the ideal Diesel cycle as a function of compression and cutoff ratios (k=1.4).

Dual cycle: A more realistic ideal cycle model for modern, high-speed compression ignition engine.



P-v diagram of an ideal dual cycle.

QUESTIONS

Diesel engines operate at higher air-fuel ratios than gasoline engines. Why?

Despite higher power to weight ratios, two-stroke engines are not used in automobiles. Why?

The stationary diesel engines are among the most efficient power producing devices (about 50%). Why?

What is a turbocharger? Why are they mostly used in diesel engines compared to gasoline engines.

Summary

- Otto cycle: The ideal cycle for spark-ignition engines
- Diesel cycle: The ideal cycle for compression-ignition engines