

Two Scenarios on the Relativistic Quantum Heat Engine

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Abstract

We compare two different scenarios at relativistic quantum heat engine by considering three-level energy, and two non-interacting fermion in one-dimensional potential well. The difference between the scenarios is about mechanism to get into excited state by two fermions. We apply iso-energetic cycle that consists of two iso-energetic and two iso-entropic processes, and then compute and compare the efficiency at both scenarios. We also compare it with non-relativistic case. The result is that one scenario has larger efficiency than the other that does not happen at non-relativistic case.

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1. Introduction

In principle, the classic heat engine works by taking the heat from the hot reservoir and converting it into mechanical work, and throws some heat to a cold reservoir. Thus, not all the absorbed heat can be converted into mechanical work, as said by Kelvin Plank. However, we can still strive to design cycle that can convert heat energy as much as possible. In thermodynamics, there is no cycle having the efficiency greater than Carnot cycle.

Therefore, it is interesting to review the Carnot cycle in view of the quantum. The concept of quantum heat engine was introduced first by Scovil and Schultz-Dubois [1] and had grown into many types of research, with some kind of system, and working substance, such as particle in potential well [2]-[7], harmonic oscillator [8], and the other various systems [9]-[15]. There have been investigated the effect of minimal length on the efficiency of engine [16]. There also have been evaluated quantum heat engine with relativistic particle as working substance [17] [18].

In this work, we used a one-dimensional box trap with three levels of energy as a system, with two Dirac Fer-

mions as the working substance. The purpose of this study is to investigate how internal processes effect on the efficiency at relativistic quantum heat engine. The nature of this Carnot engine will be investigated in the next section, which in general is as follows. Section 2 will discuss one-dimensional box trap as the system; then Section 3 will discuss the iso-energetic cycle of the engine that limits only three energy levels there using two fermions, as well as discuss two scenarios as the possible internal processes that can happen in this cycle. At the end of the section, we compute the efficiency the system. In Section 4, we compare the previous result with non-relativistic case, and Section 5 presents the discussions and conclusions.

2. Dirac Particle in the One-Dimensional Potential Well

Consider a single particle confined to one-dimensional potential well of the form

$$V(x) = \lim_{V_0 \to \infty} V_0 \Big[\Theta(x - L) + \Theta(-x) \Big]$$
⁽¹⁾

with $\Theta(x)$ is step function. Then, Dirac equation at one dimension given by

$$\hat{H} = -i\hbar\hat{\sigma}_1\partial_x + mc^2\hat{\sigma}_3 + \hat{V}(x)I$$
⁽²⁾

the eigenfunction as the solution of equation be expressed by

$$\psi_n(x) = A \begin{pmatrix} \sin(n\pi x/L) \\ -\frac{i\hbar c(n\pi/L)}{E_n + mc^2} \cos(n\pi x/L) \end{pmatrix}$$
(3)

with associated energy eigenvalues

$$E_n^D(L) = \pm mc^2 \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(n\lambda/2L \right)^2} - 1 \right)$$
(4)

Here, $n = 1, 2, 3, \cdots$ are quantum numbers of the wave function, with $\lambda = 2\pi\hbar/(mc)$ is the Compton wavelength. We will not use all of the energy levels, but we only use the first three energy levels, in the meaning of simplicity, as we well show it later.

3. Iso-Energetic Cycle of Relativistic Heat Engine

We use [2] as main reference for our quantum thermodynamics engine. It has been explained that total energy of the system analogous to internal energy and the work can be done by expanding the potential width. The iso-thermal and adiabatic processes at classical thermodynamics mean the same as iso-energetic and iso-entropic processes at quantum thermodynamics. We can calculate the efficiency at quantum heat engine by using the same formula as classical heat engine.

In this paper, we choose iso-energetic cycle that consists of two eno-energetic and iso-entropic process. By using two particles in a 1D box trap and three energy levels as the working substance, we get the cycle like **Figure 1**. We take particles at first and second level energy as the initial state A. The internal energy or total energy is given by

$$E_A = mc^2 \sum_{n=1}^{2} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{n\lambda}{2L_A}\right)^2} - 1 \right)$$
(5)

The first process is iso-energetic process. We choose the final of this process is the excited state that two particles occupying the second and third level energy. The excited state energy given by

$$E_B = mc^2 \sum_{n=2}^{3} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{n\lambda}{2L_B}\right)^2 - 1} \right)$$
(6)

During the iso-energetic process, the internal energy is fixed. By using (5) and (6), we get relation

$$\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2L_A}\right)^2} + \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2\lambda}{2L_A}\right)^2} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2\lambda}{2L_B}\right)^2} + \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{3\lambda}{2L_B}\right)^2}$$
(7)

We denote
$$x_A = \left(\frac{\lambda}{2L_A}\right)^2$$
 and $x_B = \left(\frac{\lambda}{2L_B}\right)^2$, and by using a little calculation, we obtain

$$x_B = \frac{1}{50} \left[52 + 130x_A + 52\sqrt{1 + x_A}\sqrt{1 + 4x_A} \pm \left(5408 + 2504x_A + 23616x_A^2 + 5408\sqrt{1 + x_A}\sqrt{1 + 4x_A} \pm 11520x_A\sqrt{1 + x_A}\sqrt{1 + 4x_A}\right)^{1/2} \right]$$
(8)

Here we obtain the width of potential well that should be fulfilled to get full excited state. But, it would be interesting if we observed this process in detail. Therefore, let us consider those fermions as distinguishable particle. At the initial state, the first particle at first level energy, and second particle at second level energy as **Figure 2**. We



Figure 1. Iso-energetic cycle using 2 particle at three level energy state.



Figure 2. (a) The first scenario S1, (b) the second scenario S2.

take probability for the first particle at nth-level energy as $p_n(L)$, the second particle as $q_n(L)$. Of course, those amplitudes depend on the width of potential well. Then, during the first iso-energetic process, total energy is given by

$$E(L) = mc^{2} \left[p_{1} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2L}\right)^{2}} - 1 \right) + p_{2} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2\lambda}{2L}\right)^{2}} - 1 \right) + p_{3} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{3\lambda}{2L}\right)^{2}} - 1 \right) \right]$$

$$+ q_{1} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2L}\right)^{2}} - 1 \right) + q_{2} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2\lambda}{2L}\right)^{2}} - 1 \right) + q_{3} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{3\lambda}{2L}\right)^{2}} - 1 \right) \right]$$

$$(9)$$

The value of probability at initial state is given by

$$p_1(L_A) = 1, p_2(L_A) = 0, p_3(L_A) = 0$$

$$q_1(L_A) = 0, q_2(L_A) = 1, q_3(L_A) = 0$$
(10)

Then we find something interesting when we try to assign the excited state. Here we have two choices. The first choice is the first particle climbs to 2-level energy, and the second particle climbs to 3-level energy. The second choice is the first particle climbs to 3-level energy, but the second particle remains at 2-level energy. The first include both particles, the second only includes one particle. We take them as two different scenarios, S1 and S2.

3.1. The First Scenario, S1

At first scenario, probability of excitation state given by

$$p_1(L_B) = 0, p_2(L_B) = 1, p_3(L_B) = 0$$

$$q_1(L_B) = 0, q_2(L_B) = 0, q_3(L_B) = 1$$
(11)

Both particles climb to upper state. During iso-energetic process, all incoming heat becomes work. While the internal energy remain constant and satisfy

$$mc^{2}\sum_{n=1}^{2} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{n\lambda}{2L_{A}}\right)^{2}} - 1 \right) = mc^{2}\sum_{k=1}^{2} p_{k} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{k\lambda}{2L}\right)^{2}} - 1 \right) + mc^{2}\sum_{l=2}^{3} q_{l} \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{l\lambda}{2L}\right)^{2}} - 1 \right)$$
(12)

The calculation becomes simple if we calculate the change per particle separately. Therefore, we get probability relation during the process as

$$p_1(L) + p_2(L) = 1$$

$$q_2(L) + q_3(L) = 1$$
(13)

We also have total energy relation as

$$E_{p_1}(L_A) = p_1(L)E_{p_1}(L) + p_2(L)E_{p_2}(L)$$

$$E_{q_2}(L_A) = q_2(L)E_{q_2}(L) + q_3(L)E_{q_3}(L)$$
(14)

Using Equation (11), (13), (14), we get probability per particle as

$$p_{1}(L) = \frac{E_{p1}(L_{A}) - E_{p2}(L)}{E_{p1}(L) - E_{p2}(L)}$$

$$q_{2}(L) = \frac{E_{q2}(L_{A}) - E_{q3}(L)}{E_{q2}(L) - E_{q3}(L)}$$
(15)

As Reference [2], probability at each level energy and quantum number change during iso-energetic process. Then, the incoming heat can be calculated as follows

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$$Q_{AB} = \sum_{n=1}^{2} \int_{L_{A}}^{L_{B}} E_{pn}\left(L\right) \frac{\mathrm{d}p_{n}\left(L\right)}{\mathrm{d}L} \mathrm{d}L + \sum_{n=2}^{3} \int_{L_{A}}^{L_{B}} E_{qn}\left(L\right) \frac{\mathrm{d}q_{n}\left(L\right)}{\mathrm{d}L} \mathrm{d}L$$
(16)

The first term is for first particle, and the second term for second particle. Using (15), with a little effort we obtain

$$(Q_{AB})_{1} = \left[E_{1}(L_{A}) + E_{2}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2}\right] \ln\left(\frac{L_{B}}{L_{A}}\right) - mc^{2} \ln\left[\frac{E_{1}(L_{A})E_{3}(L_{A})}{E_{1}(L_{B})E_{3}(L_{B})}\right] + \frac{1}{2}\left[E_{1}(L_{A}) + mc^{2}\right] \ln\left[\frac{E_{1}(L_{A})(E_{1}(L_{B}) + 2mc^{2})}{E_{1}(L_{B})(E_{1}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2})}\right] + \frac{1}{2}\left[E_{2}(L_{A}) + mc^{2}\right] \ln\left[\frac{E_{3}(L_{A})(E_{3}(L_{B}) + 2mc^{2})}{E_{3}(L_{B})(E_{3}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2})}\right] - \frac{1}{2}E_{1}(L_{A}) \ln\left[\frac{4E_{1}(L_{A}) + E_{2}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2}}{4E_{1}(L_{B}) + E_{2}(L_{B}) + 2mc^{2}}\right] - \frac{1}{2}E_{2}(L_{A}) \ln\left[\frac{9E_{2}(L_{A}) + 4E_{3}(L_{A}) + 18mc^{2}}{9E_{2}(L_{B}) + 4E_{3}(L_{B}) + 18mc^{2}}\right] + \frac{1}{2}\left[E_{1}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2}\right] \ln\left[\frac{4E_{1}(L_{A}) - E_{2}(L_{A}) + 6mc^{2}}{4E_{1}(L_{B}) - E_{2}(L_{B}) + 6mc^{2}}\right] + \frac{1}{2}\left[E_{2}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2}\right] \ln\left[\frac{9E_{2}(L_{A}) - 4E_{3}(L_{A}) + 10mc^{2}}{9E_{2}(L_{B}) - 4E_{3}(L_{B}) + 10mc^{2}}\right]$$

Using the result (8), we obtain the incoming heat. Then, this value turn to be work for the system $(Q_{AB})_1 = (W_{AB})_1$ [2].

3.2. The Second Scenario, S2

Only the first particle changes its quantum number. Then the probability of excitation state given by

$$p_1(L_B) = 0, p_2(L_B) = 0, p_3(L_B) = 1$$

$$q_1(L_B) = 0, q_2(L_B) = 1, q_3(L_B) = 0$$
(18)

Probability of first particle given by

$$p_1(L) + p_3(L) = 1 \tag{19}$$

While the probability of second remains constant. The total energy given by

$$E_{p1}(L_{A}) + E_{q2}(L_{A}) = p_{1}(L)E_{p1}(L) + p_{3}(L)E_{p3}(L) + E_{q2}(L)$$
(20)

Then we obtain

$$p_{1}(L) = \frac{E_{p1}(L_{A}) - E_{p3}(L)}{E_{p1}(L) - E_{p3}(L)} + \frac{E_{q2}(L_{A}) - E_{q2}(L)}{E_{p1}(L) - E_{p3}(L)}$$
(21)

Then, the heat exchange can be calculated as

$$Q_{AB} = \int_{L_A}^{L_B} E_{p1}(L) \frac{dp_1(L)}{dL} + \int_{L_A}^{L_B} E_{p3}(L) \frac{dp_3(L)}{dL}$$
(22)

Using (21), and little calculation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{Q}_{AB})_{2} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} mc^{2} F\left[\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{E_{1}(L_{B}) + mc^{2}}{mc^{2}}\right), \frac{27}{32}\right] - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} mc^{2} F\left[\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{E_{1}(L_{A}) + mc^{2}}{mc^{2}}\right), \frac{27}{32}\right] \\ &- \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} mc^{2} \Pi\left[\frac{3}{4}, \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{E_{1}(L_{B}) + mc^{2}}{mc^{2}}\right), \frac{27}{32}\right] + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} mc^{2} \Pi\left[\frac{3}{4}, \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{E_{1}(L_{A}) + mc^{2}}{mc^{2}}\right), \frac{27}{32}\right] \\ &+ \left[E_{1}(L_{A}) + E_{2}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2}\right] \ln\left[\frac{L_{B}}{L_{A}}\right] - \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{1}(L_{A}) + E_{2}(L_{A}) - mc^{2}\right] \ln\left[\frac{E_{1}(L_{B})}{E_{1}(L_{A})}\right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{1}(L_{A}) + E_{2}(L_{A}) + 3mc^{2}\right] \ln\left[\frac{E_{1}(L_{B}) + 2mc^{2}}{E_{1}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2}}\right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{1}(L_{A}) + E_{2}(L_{A}) + mc^{2}\right] \ln\left[\frac{9E_{1}(L_{B}) + 2mc^{2}}{9E_{1}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2}}\right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{1}(L_{A}) + E_{2}(L_{A}) + mc^{2}\right] \ln\left[\frac{9E_{1}(L_{B}) + 2mc^{2}}{9E_{1}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2}}\right] \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{1}(L_{A}) + E_{2}(L_{A}) + 3mc^{2}\right] \ln\left[\frac{-E_{3}(L_{B}) + 9E_{1}(L_{B}) + 16mc^{2}}{-E_{3}(L_{A}) + 9E_{1}(L_{A}) + 16mc^{2}}\right] \\ &- \frac{1}{2} mc^{2} \ln\left[\frac{\left(-E_{2}(L_{B}) + 4E_{1}(L_{B}) + 6mc^{2}\right)\left(E_{2}(L_{A}) + 4E_{1}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2}\right)}{\left(E_{2}(L_{A}) + 4E_{1}(L_{A}) + 2mc^{2}\right)}\right] \end{aligned}$$

Of course, the work during the process can be obtain by $(W_{AB})_2 = (Q_{AB})_2$. This value bit little different from scenario I. At (18), there is no term with elliptic integral. But, it is too hasty to make conclusion about the differences. We will continue the calculation, until we obtain the efficiency for both scenarios. Then, we go with the next process, iso-entropic BC. In this process there is no difference between both scenarios. Both particles remain in their quantum state. There is only a change of the width of potential. In this process, there is no heat come from the environment to system, and vice versa. The work has compensated by the change of internal energy of the system. The work during the process is given by

$$W_{BC} = E_C - E_B = mc^2 \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2\lambda}{2L_C}\right)^2} - 1 \right) + mc^2 \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{3\lambda}{2L_C}\right)^2} - 1 \right)$$

$$-mc^2 \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2\lambda}{2L_B}\right)^2} - 1 \right) - mc^2 \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{3\lambda}{2L_B}\right)^2} - 1 \right)$$
(24)

with $L_C = \alpha L_B$. The coefficient α is expansion parameter that affect to the efficiency of the system.

The next step is iso-energetic process CD. Here we come with different scenarios again. The first scenario is both particles down to a lower energy state, first particle at second energy level move to the first energy level, and the second particle at third energy level move to second energy level. And the second scenario is the only second particle at third energy level move to the first energy level. By using (16), we obtain the heat that out of the system at first scenario, S1 by

$$(\mathcal{Q}_{CD})_{1} = \left[E_{1}(L_{C}) + E_{3}(L_{C}) + 2mc^{2} \right] \ln \left(\frac{L_{D}}{L_{C}} \right) - mc^{2} \ln \left[\frac{E_{1}(L_{C})E_{3}(L_{C})}{E_{1}(L_{D})E_{3}(L_{D})} \right]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{2}(L_{C}) + mc^{2} \right] \ln \left[\frac{E_{1}(L_{C})(E_{1}(L_{D}) + mc^{2})}{E_{1}(L_{D})(E_{1}(L_{C}) + mc^{2})} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{3}(L_{C}) + mc^{2} \right] \ln \left[\frac{E_{3}(L_{C})(E_{3}(L_{D}) + mc^{2})}{E_{3}(L_{D})(E_{3}(L_{C}) + mc^{2})} \right]$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} E_{2}(L_{C}) \ln \left[\frac{4E_{1}(L_{C}) + E_{2}(L_{C}) + 2mc^{2}}{4E_{1}(L_{D}) + E_{2}(L_{D}) + 2mc^{2}} \right] - \frac{1}{2} E_{3}(L_{C}) \ln \left[\frac{9E_{2}(L_{C}) + 4E_{3}(L_{C}) + 18mc^{2}}{9E_{2}(L_{D}) + 4E_{3}(L_{D}) + 18mc^{2}} \right]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{2}(L_{C}) + 2mc^{2} \right] \ln \left[\frac{4E_{1}(L_{C}) - E_{2}(L_{C}) + 6mc^{2}}{4E_{1}(L_{D}) - E_{2}(L_{D}) + 6mc^{2}} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{3}(L_{C}) + 2mc^{2} \right] \ln \left[\frac{9E_{2}(L_{C}) - 4E_{3}(L_{C}) + 10mc^{2}}{9E_{2}(L_{D}) - 4E_{3}(L_{D}) + 10mc^{2}} \right]$$

$$(25)$$

At second scenario, S2 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{Q}_{CD})_{2} &= \frac{1}{2}mc^{2} F \left[\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{E_{1}(L_{D}) + mc^{2}}{mc^{2}} \right), \frac{27}{32} \right] \\ &- \frac{1}{2}mc^{2} F \left[\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{E_{1}(L_{C}) + mc^{2}}{mc^{2}} \right), \frac{27}{32} \right] \\ &- \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}}mc^{2} \Pi \left[\frac{3}{4}, \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{E_{1}(L_{D}) + mc^{2}}{mc^{2}} \right), \frac{27}{32} \right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}}mc^{2} \Pi \left[\frac{3}{4}, \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{E_{1}(L_{D}) + mc^{2}}{mc^{2}} \right), \frac{27}{32} \right] \\ &+ \left[E_{2}(L_{C}) + E_{3}(L_{C}) + 2mc^{2} \right] \ln \left(\frac{L_{D}}{L_{C}} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{2}(L_{C}) + E_{3}(L_{C}) - mc^{2} \right] \ln \left(\frac{E_{1}(L_{D})}{E_{1}(L_{C})} \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{2}(L_{C}) + E_{3}(L_{C}) + 3mc^{2} \right] \ln \left[\frac{E_{1}(L_{D}) + 2mc^{2}}{E_{1}(L_{C}) + 2mc^{2}} \right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{2}(L_{C}) + E_{3}(L_{C}) + mc^{2} \right] \ln \left[\frac{9E_{1}(L_{D}) + E_{3}(L_{D}) + 2mc^{2}}{9E_{1}(L_{C}) + 2mc^{2}} \right] \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \left[E_{2}(L_{C}) + E_{3}(L_{C}) + 3mc^{2} \right] \ln \left[\frac{-E_{3}(L_{D}) + 9E_{1}(L_{D}) + 16mc^{2}}{-E_{3}(L_{C}) + 9E_{1}(L_{C}) + 16mc^{2}} \right] \\ &- \frac{1}{2} mc^{2} \ln \left[\frac{\left(-E_{2}(L_{D}) + 4E_{1}(L_{D}) + 6mc^{2} \right) \left(E_{2}(L_{D}) + 4E_{1}(L_{D}) + 2mc^{2} \right)}{\left(E_{2}(L_{C}) + 4E_{1}(L_{C}) + 2mc^{2} \right)} \right] \end{aligned}$$
(26)

The next is second iso-entropic process. As the first iso-entropic process, the work can be calculated as

$$W_{DA} = E_A - E_D$$

$$= mc^2 \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2L_A}\right)^2} - 1 \right) + mc^2 \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2\lambda}{2L_A}\right)^2} - 1 \right)$$

$$-mc^2 \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\lambda}{2L_D}\right)^2} - 1 \right) - mc^2 \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2\lambda}{2L_D}\right)^2} - 1 \right)$$
(27)

After this, we calculated total work throughout a full cycle. The values of the work for both iso-entropic processes cancel each other. Then, the efficiency of the engine can be calculated for both scenarios using

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{Q_{CD}}{Q_{AB}} \tag{28}$$

It would better if the result be displayed as Figure 2.

According to **Figure 3**, there are difference results between S1 and S2. At S1, the efficiency increases along the increasing of the potential width. On the contrary, the efficiency at S2 decreases. While, the dependence of the efficiency with the expansion parameter can be illustrated by **Figure 4** as follows.

The efficiency at S2 is lower than the efficiency at S1, and doesn't reach unit maximum value at $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$. This doesn't happen at non-relativistic case.

4. Comparison with Non-Relativistic Case

The quantized energy at non-relativistic state given by



Figure 3. The efficiency of the engine versus the initial potential width at the first scenario S1 and second scenario S2 at $\alpha = 2$.



Figure 4. The efficiency of the engine versus expansion parameter first scenario S1 and second scenario S2 at $L_a = 10^{-12} m$.

$$E_n(L) = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2mL^2} n^2$$
(29)

Therefore, total energy at initial condition given by

$$E(L_{A}) = \sum_{n=1}^{2} \frac{\hbar^{2} \pi^{2}}{2m L_{A}^{2}} n^{2}$$
(30)

First we calculate the incoming heat at the first iso-energetic process for S1. During the process, the probability and the width of potential can be related by

$$\sum_{n=1}^{2} \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2mL_A^2} n^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{2} p_k \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2mL^2} k^2 + \sum_{l=2}^{3} p_l \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2mL^2} l^2$$
(31)

Using relation (11), (15), and (16), we get the incoming heat at first scenario S1 as

$$\left(\mathcal{Q}_{AB}\right)_{1} = \frac{5\hbar^{2}\pi^{2}}{mL_{A}^{2}}\ln\left(\frac{L_{B}}{L_{A}}\right)$$
(32)

Using same assumption, we can calculate the incoming heat at S2. Using relation (18), (21), and (22), we obtain

$$\left(\mathcal{Q}_{AB}\right)_2 = \frac{5\hbar^2 \pi^2}{mL_A^2} \ln\left(\frac{L_B}{L_A}\right) \tag{33}$$

At both scenario, we got the same value, $(Q_{AB})_1 = (Q_{AB})_2$. That means, there is no difference of the efficiency between them.

5. Discussions and Conclusions

The differentiation of efficiency of the engine between both scenarios rises in relativistic case. This can be explained by examining the transfer energy mechanism. At first iso-energetic process, the incoming heat turns to be the work that extends the potential width as the total energy is fixed. As the consequence, the particle is excited to the upper state. At S1, both particles move to upper state to compensate the potential width extension. At S2, only particle at first energy level rises up. The particle at second energy level stays at its state while the potential width extends. This particle adsorbs the incoming heat without raising its energy level. At non-relativistic case, the value of the incoming heat has the same value at both scenarios. That means the rising of single particle at S2 can compensate the rising of two particles at S1. Both this is not happen at relativistic case. This can be explained by series expansion of relativistic energy of (4) as follows

$$E_n^D(L) = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2 n^2}{2mL^2} - \frac{\hbar^4 \pi^4 n^4}{8m^3 c^2 L^4} + \frac{\hbar^6 \pi^6 n^6}{16m^5 c^4 L^6} - \dots$$
(34)

The second term and the third term can be neglected at non-relativistic case. Whereas, at relativistic case, those terms have affected to the engine, particularly at small dimension. This can be shown by **Figure 3** that at small size of initial potential width, the efficiency becomes large in S2 even still smaller than at S1.

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