Chemical Thermodynamics

Problem

Calculate the change in enthalpy for the isothermal compression of 5 moles of chloromethane, CH₃Cl, at 300 K from an initial pressure of 0.5 bar to 40.0 bar. The CH₃Cl can be described by the following equation of state

$$Z = \frac{PV}{RT} = 1 + (b - \frac{a}{RT})\frac{P}{RT}$$

• A = 7.57 L²bar/mol², b = 0.065 L/mol, $C_p = 40.7$ J/Kmol

Heat Engines

Use some of energy in heat flow to perform work

Cyclic Engines

- For an integral number of cyclic processes
- For a heat engine

Define a maximum efficiency

Refrigerator

A heat engine running in reverse.

 Refrigerators compared based on COP – coefficient of performance

Carnot cycle

An ideal engine that obtains maximum efficiency is one that follows the Carnot cycle.

Carnot cycle

• A four step cycle with all steps being reversible

- o Isothermal, reversible expansion
- Adiabatic, reversible expansion
- Isothermal, reversible compression
- Adiabatic, reversible compression

Problem

A household runs between 35 oC and -10 oC. How many Joules of heat can be removed, in principle, per one 1 kWh of work?

Problem

The refrigerator in the previous problem is charged with $NH_3(g)$ If the gas is initially at 308 K and Vo = 1.2 L/mol what will the molar volume be after an adiabatic reversible expansion to 263 K. Use vdW expression, a = 4.3 L²bar/mol², b = 0.038 L/mol, Cp = 27.2 J/Kmol