# Basic Concepts & Terminology

#### Dr. Md. Zahurul Haq, Ph.D., CEA, FBSME, FIEB

Professor Department of Mechanical Engineering Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology (BUET) Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh

http://zahurul.buet.ac.bd/

ME 203: Engineering Thermodynamics http://zahurul.buet.ac.bd/ME203/



### Thermodynamic System



<u>T006</u>

- A thermodynamic system is simply any object or quantity of matter or region of space that has been selected for thermodynamic study. Everything that is not part of the system is referred to as the surroundings or environment.
- Boundary or control surface (CS) separates the system from its surroundings which
  - may be real or imaginary, at rest or in motion
  - may change its shape and size
  - neither contains matter nor occupies volume
  - has zero thickness and a property value at a point on the boundary is shared by both the system and its surroundings.



# Control Mass (CM) or Closed System



<u>T007</u>

In Control Mass (CM) or Closed system:

- CS is closed to mass flow, so that no mass can escape from or enter into the system.
- Heat/work may cross the CS.

ⓒ Dr. Md. Zahurul Haq (BUET)	Basic Concepts & Terminology	ME 203 (2025)	5/19

# Control Volume (CV) or Open System



<u>T1601</u>

When there is flow of mass through CS, the system is called a Control Volume (CV) or Open system.



6/19



In Adiabatic system the boundary is impermeable to heat.

© Dr. Md. Zahurul Haq (BUET)	Basic Concepts & Terminology	ME 203 (2025)	7 / 19

# Classification of Thermodynamic Systems



An Isolated system is a special case of CM system that does not interact in any way with its surroundings.



## Macroscopic & Microscopic Views of Thermodynamics

- Thermodynamic systems can be studied from two points of view:
  - Microscopic approach or statistical thermodynamics
  - **2** Macroscopic approach **or** classical thermodynamics
- The microscopic approach recognizes that the system consists of matter that is composed of countless and discrete molecules. Statistics and probability theories are applied to deduce the macroscopic behaviour or measurable quantities e.g. pressure, temperature etc.
- In the macroscopic approach, the state of the system is described by a relatively small set of characteristics that are called properties e.g. mass, temperature, pressure and volume.
- Macroscopic approach works well when the system is sufficiently large such that it contains many molecules. However, macroscopic approach would not work well for a system that consists of a rarefied gas (i.e., a vacuum with just a few molecules).

ⓒ Dr. Md. Zahurul Haq (BUET)

Basic Concepts & Terminology

ME 203 (2025)

9/19

## State & Property

- The condition of a system at any instant of time is called its state. State at a given instant determines the properties of the system.
- A property is a quantity whose numerical value depends on the state but not on the history of the system. The origin of properties include those are
  - directly measurable
  - 2 defined by laws of thermodynamics
  - **③** defined by mathematical combinations of other properties.
- Two states are identical if, and only if, the properties of the two states are identical.
- Intensive properties are independent of the size or extent of the system. Extensive properties depend on the size or extent of the system. An extensive property is additive in the sense that its value for the whole system is the sum of the values for its parts.

System boundary

$E_1, \tilde{V}_1, T, P$	$\begin{cases} E_{system} = E_1 + E_2\\ \tilde{V}_{system} = \tilde{V}_1 + \tilde{V}_2 \end{cases}$ Extensive Properties
$E_2, \tilde{V}_2, T, P$	$ T_{system} = T_1 = T_2  P_{system} = P_1 = P_2 $ Intensive Properties

	Property	Extensive	Intensive
	Mass	m	ρ
	Volume	$ ilde{V}$	υ
	KE	$\frac{1}{2}mV^2$	$\frac{1}{2}V^{2}$
	PE	mgZ	gZ
	Total Energy	E	е
	Internal Energy	U	u
	Enthalpy	H	h
	Entropy	S	S
© Dr. Md. Zahurul Haq	(BUET) Basic Conce	epts & Terminolo	gy ]

11/19

## Process & Cycle

- A thermodynamic process is a change of system from one equilibrium state to another.
- The path of a process refers to the specific series of states through which the system passes.
- A system process is said to go through a thermodynamic cycle when the final state and the initial state of the process are same.



## Thermodynamic Equilibrium

- A system in thermodynamic equilibrium satisfies the following stringent requirements:
  - Mechanical Equilibrium: no unbalance forces acting on any part of the system or the system as a whole.
  - 2 Thermal Equilibrium: no temperature differences between parts of the system or between the system and the surrounding.
  - Chemical Equilibrium: no chemical reactions within the system and no motion of any chemical species from one part to another part of the system.
- Once a system is in thermodynamic equilibrium and the surroundings are kept unchanged, no motion will take place and no work will be done.





14/19

- A system is said to be in Stable/Equilibrium State when no finite change of state can occur unless there is an interaction between the system and its environment which leaves a finite alteration in the state of the environment.
- During a quasi-static process, the system is infinitesimally near a state of thermodynamic equilibrium at all times. So, the process should be carried out infinitely slow to allow the system to settle to a stable state at the end of each infinitesimal step in the process.
- Theoretical calculations must relate to *stable states*, since it is only for these we have thermodynamic data.





## Zero'th Law of Thermodynamics

#### Zero'th Law of Thermodynamics

Two systems with thermal equilibrium with a third are in thermal equilibrium with each other.





Moran Ex. 4.1:  $\triangleright$  Feed-water heater at steady-state. Determine  $\dot{m}_2$  &  $V_2$ . Assume,  $v_2 \simeq v_f(T_2)$ .

