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Physics 404 HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT #4 Spring 2008

**Due date:** Tuesday, Feb. 26 **Deadline:** Thursday, Feb. 28

B means a problem in Blundell & Blundell's text; GT means a problem in Gould & Tobochnik.

Apologies, I thought I had posted this on Tuesday, but evidently messed up somewhere. In compensation, I am shortening the assignment.

## 1. B 9.2 (No comments needed on your results.)

- 1. B 9.5
- 2. B 10.9
- 2. B 11.1
- 3. B 11.2
- €. I will do this problem in class rather than assigning it.

Consider a rectangular cyclic path ABCDA in the pV diagram of an ideal gas. Let A be  $(V_1, p_2)$ , B be  $(V_2, p_2)$ , C be  $(V_2, p_1)$ , D be  $(V_1, p_1)$ . Assume  $p_2 > p_1$  and  $V_2 > V_1$ . The graph resembles Fig. 13.2, but with the vertical axis labeled p and the horizontal axis V,  $T_h \rightarrow p_2$ ,  $T_\ell \rightarrow p_1$ , and no adiabat or isotherm labels or Q's. How much work is done *on* the gas during this cyclic process?