

Isothermal *vs.* adiabatic compressibility

a. We start with the relation

$$dS = \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T}\right)_p dT + \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial p}\right)_T dp$$

and find “conventional names” for the partial derivatives. First, by the definition of heat capacity, we have

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T}\right)_p = \frac{C_p}{T}.$$

Then, using the Maxwell relation associated with $G(T, p)$,

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial p}\right)_T = - \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\right)_p = -V\beta.$$

Together these become

$$dS = \frac{C_p}{T} dT - V\beta dp$$

The above equation holds for *any* small change in T and p . If we restrict it to a small change at constant S , that is, a change with $dS = 0$, we find

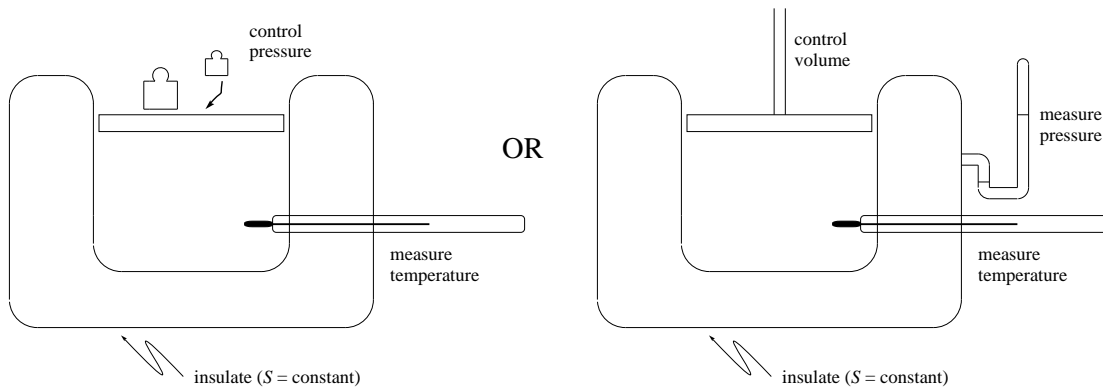
$$\frac{C_p}{T} dT = V\beta dp$$

or

$$\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial p}\right)_S = \frac{\beta T}{C_p/V}.$$

(I write the fraction in this perhaps-contorted form to make it apparent that it is intensive.)

Two experiments that measure this quantity directly are sketched below.



b. Start with:

$$dV = \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_T dp + \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p dT.$$

Restrict to a change at constant S , and divide by dp :

$$\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_S = \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_T + \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial p} \right)_S.$$

Divide both sides by $-V$:

$$-\frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_S = -\frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_T - \frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p \frac{\beta T}{C_p/V}.$$

Recognize the definitions of κ_S , κ_T , and β in the above:

$$\kappa_S = \kappa_T - \frac{\beta^2 T}{C_p/V}.$$

c. From class,

$$C_p = C_V + TV \frac{\beta^2}{\kappa_T},$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} C_p \kappa_S &= C_p \left(\kappa_T - \frac{\beta^2 T}{C_p/V} \right) \\ &= C_p \kappa_T - \beta^2 TV \\ &= \left(C_V + TV \frac{\beta^2}{\kappa_T} \right) \kappa_T - \beta^2 TV \\ &= C_V \kappa_T + TV \beta^2 - \beta^2 TV \\ &= C_V \kappa_T. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\gamma \equiv \frac{C_p}{C_V} = \frac{\kappa_T}{\kappa_S}.$$