1. The Joule–Thomson process consists of the controlled expansion of a gas. Here, the stream of expanding gas is limited by a throttle valve. The gas volume is bounded to the left and the right of the throttle by the two sliding pistons  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , which produce the pressures  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  in the left and right chambers, with  $P_1 > P_2$ . The process is assumed to occur adiabatically, i.e. dQ = 0 during the entire process.

In the initial state (1), the in the left-hand chamber has the volume  $V_1$  and the energy  $E_1$ . In the final state, the gas is entirely in the right-hand chamber and has a volume  $V_2$  and energy  $E_2$ . The left piston performs work on the gas, while the gas performs work on the right piston and thus on the environment.



- a) Show that the enthalpy H remains constant during the process.
- b) We would like to know if the temperature of the gas increases/decreases during the process. The relevant quantity is called the Joule–Thomson coefficient  $\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial P}\right)_H$ . Show that

$$\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial P}\right)_{H} = -\frac{T\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial P}\right)_{T} + V}{T\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T}\right)_{P}}$$

c) Show that

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial P}\right)_T = -\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T}\right)_P / \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_S$$

- d) Using all the above information, show that for an ideal gas the Joule–Thompson coefficient is zero.
- 2. We derived the following expression for the entropy of an ideal monoatomic gas

$$S = Nk_{\rm B} \left[ \frac{5}{2} + \ln \left( \frac{U^{3/2}V}{\kappa N^{5/2}} \right) \right]$$

Consider two ideal monoatomic gases at temperatures  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ . The two gases are separated by a sliding piston and insulated from the environment. The pressure of the two gases are taken to be equal  $P_1 = P_2 = P$ .

- a) Determine the equilibrium temperature T after joint equilibration.
- b) Calculate the change in entropy for the process and show that it is positive.

- c) Calculate the total change in enthaply.
- 3. Complete the diagram. The first one has been done for you as an example.

