Basic Equation for the Different Coupled Equations between
the First and Second Laws of Thermodynamics at Strong
Coupling

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ABSTRACT---- For some physical processes, the first and second laws of thermodynamics can be at strong coupling. Also, it is possible that the familiar inequalities of macroscopic thermodynamics cannot be used in the analysis of the system, and it is needed that the inequalities rewrote as equalities. In these cases, the work, internal energy, dissipated energy, and entropy production must be considered and identified together. In this paper, the basic equation for the different coupled equations between the first and second laws of thermodynamics at strong coupling is extracted. Also, inspired by the first and second laws of thermodynamics and different approaches to the second law, a thermophysical equation for thermodynamics is extracted. This equation can be used instead of the first and second laws of thermodynamics as to the analysis of the performed process these laws must be established together. It is tried that effective internal energy, directly to be related to the entropy or vice versa, in one general equation. Also, the presented equation is in the same line with the different approaches to the second law and energy structure theory.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Two mains of the physical laws are the first and second laws of thermodynamics [1]. While the second law of thermodynamics is introduced by presenting Carnot’s cycles, it can be understood without any assumption about such as irreversibility, heat or temperature, etc [2]. And also, it can be derived by using some physical theories [3]. To investigate some general physical processes, the general second law of thermodynamics is extracted [4-6]. Also, the second law of thermodynamics in statistical physics is investigated to the quantum regime [7]. The second law of thermodynamics is used in electromagnetic theory [8]. One important question is about the second law if time is stopping [9]. Also, second law of thermodynamics can be used to design in the physical processes [10-11]. In some physical processes, the first and second laws are at a strong coupling that it is needed that these laws apply to the system together. Also, that may be needed that the inequalities be rewriten as equalities. The classical, statistical, quantum and Kinetic theory approaches of the second law can be used for these purposes [12-16]. While there are some challenges to the second law of thermodynamics [17].

Energy structure theory is presented to investigate the effects of the second law of thermodynamics on the physical processes from the perspective of the independent and dependent energy components of the system [18,19]. This theory studies the structure of the irreversibility and takes the reasons and conditions of the entropy production in feasible processes. In other words, energy structure theory extract a macroscopic quasi-statistical equation as the energy structure equation of the system, and by studying its variation in different paths, a new approach to the second law and irreversibility concept is presented. Therefore, this theory can be a suitable idea to investigate the first and second laws of thermodynamics at strong coupling.

In this paper, the basic equation for the different coupled equations between the first and second laws of thermodynamics at strong coupling is studied. Also, inspired the first and second laws of thermodynamics as well as different approaches to the second law of thermodynamics, and also using the energy structure theory concepts, a thermophysical equation is extracted for the thermodynamics as the first and second laws are in the strong coupling.

2. FIRST AND SECOND LAWS OF THERMODYNAMICS AT STRONG COUPLING

Equations (1) and (2) present the first and second law of thermodynamics for a Thermodynamic cycle [1]:

\[ \oint \delta Q = \oint \delta W \]  \tag{1}
\[ \frac{\delta Q}{T} \leq 0 \]  \hspace{1cm} (2)

Where \( \delta W \) is the work done by system, \( \delta Q \) is the heat exchange and \( T \) is temperature. The first law explains that energy is conserved, and the second law presents a condition relation to the thermodynamic cycles. Also, the second law introduces the irreversibility concept in physical processes. These laws can be presented as following in variation form [1]:

\[ \delta U = \delta Q - \delta W \]  \hspace{1cm} (3)

\[ ds \geq \frac{\delta Q}{T} \]  \hspace{1cm} (4)

That \( U \) is the internal energy and \( s \) is entropy.

While equation (3) does not any attitude to the entropy, equation (4) uses entropy as a basic quantity but does not take any value to the entropy variation and only presents a condition related to it. Equation (4), directly does not any attitude to the work done, while the work done can cause the generated entropy. Therefore, entropy will do not dependent on the total value of the internal energy, as depends on a part of internal energy. This part of internal energy can be considered as the effective internal energy. From the perspective of the energy structure theory, the effective energy depends on how energy is applied to the system as well as its amount [18]. And also remaining depends on the amount of applied energy.

To investigate a physical system at strong coupling of the first and second law of thermodynamics, not only work but also dissipated energy, internal energy, and generated entropy must be identified on the level of a trajectory of the system [12]. From the classical point of view and by using the total Hamiltonian trajectory, equation (5) can be derived:

\[ \langle \exp(-\Delta_{\text{tot}}(\epsilon^0)) \rangle = 1 \]  \hspace{1cm} (5)

Where \( \Delta_{\text{tot}} \) is the total entropy change and \( \epsilon^0 \) is the initial point phase.

Also statistically, the forward and reverse processes can be investigated. If the forward and reverse processes are described by work distributions \( \rho_f(W) \) and \( \rho_r(W) \), equation (6) can be derived [13]:

\[ \frac{\rho_f(W)}{\rho_r(-W)} = \exp\left[\frac{-W - \delta P}{k_B T}\right] \]  \hspace{1cm} (6)

And also:

\[ \langle \exp(-\frac{W}{k_B T}) \rangle = 1 \]  \hspace{1cm} (7)

Where \( F = U - TS \) and \( k_B \) is the Boltzmann constant. Also, equation (8) is presented as a time-dependent weight by using Poisson bracket notation [13, 20]:

\[ \frac{\partial g}{\partial \tau} + \{g, H\} = -\frac{W}{k_B T} g \]  \hspace{1cm} (8)

Where \( W = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \lambda} \) that \( \lambda \) is the work parameter and \( g \) is the weighted density. And also, from the perspective of quantum mechanics, some operators are suggested as internal energy operators [12].

### 3. ENTROPY PRODUCTION FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE ENERGY STRUCTURE THEORY

Entropy production is one of the most important quantities that must be considered for studying the first and second laws of thermodynamics at strong coupling. From the perspective of the energy structure theory, equation (9) can be considered as the energy structure equation of the system [18, 19]:

\[ U_T = (u_1 + u_2 + \cdots + u_m) + [g_1 + \cdots + g_k] + [h_1 + \cdots + h_n] + U_{s0} \]  \hspace{1cm} (9)

Where:

\[ g_j = g_j(u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_m) \]  \hspace{1cm} (10)

\[ h_p = h_p(u_1, \ldots, u_m) \]  \hspace{1cm} (11)

That \( u_i \) is an energy component.

Also, using the energy structure theory, entropy production can be extracted as follows:
\[ \varphi = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \frac{\delta H_i}{\delta t} \] 

(12)

Where \( \delta U_f \) is the applied energy to the system. And also:

\[ \delta H_i = \left( \sum_{p=1}^{n} \frac{\delta q_p}{\delta t} \right) \delta U_i \] 

(13)

Equation (12) explains the structure of the entropy production using energy structure components of the system as well as independent and dependent energy components concept [18].

4. A THERMOPHYSICAL EQUATION AS THE BASIC OF THE COUPLED EQUATIONS

Equations (3-8) present the first and second laws of thermodynamics and explain different approaches to the second law as well as the irreversibility concept. These equations, also explain the entropy production effects on the establishing of the first law as there is a strong coupling between the first and second laws in the performed process. From these equations, it can be concluded that an equation as a coupled equation between first and second laws, must have four quantities: Entropy; Applied energy; Effective internal energy; Macro state of the system.

Effective internal energy is part of the internal energy that directly, depends on the entropy. And also, applied energy is not in the form of work or heat only, rather it can be a combination of them.

Inspired by the first and second laws of thermodynamics as well as different approaches to the second law (Equations 3-8) and energy structure theory concepts, equation (14) can be resulted as a coupled equation for thermodynamics:

\[ \frac{\partial^2 u_{eff}}{\partial s^2} = \omega(S, \frac{\partial u_{eff}}{\partial s}) \frac{\delta U_{app}}{\partial t} \] 

(14)

Where \( U_{app} \) is the applied energy to the system, \( U_{in} \) is the internal energy, \( U_{eff} \) is the effective internal energy, \( S \) is entropy, and \( \omega = \omega(S, \frac{\partial u_{in}}{\partial s}) \) is a function that depends on the macro state of the system as well as how energy is applied to the system. And also, \( \frac{\delta U_{app}}{\partial t} \).

The general form of the equation (14) is in the same line with the equations (3-8) as well as energy structure theory. Equation (14), also takes a new approach on the basis of the different coupled equations between the first and second laws of thermodynamics at strong coupling.

If the applied energy is divided into work and heat, equation (14) can be rewritten as follows:

\[ \frac{\partial^2 u_{eff}}{\partial s^2} = \omega_w(S, \frac{\partial w}{\partial s}) W + \omega_q(S, \frac{\partial q}{\partial s}) Q \] 

(15)

Where \( \omega_w(S, \frac{\partial w}{\partial s}) \) depends on the work done as well as the macrostate of the system, and \( \omega_q(S, \frac{\partial q}{\partial s}) \) depends on the heat as well as the macrostate of the system.

5. CONCLUSIONS

In some physical processes, the first and second laws of thermodynamics can be at strong coupling. To investigate these processes, four quantities must be identified: Work; Entropy production; Internal energy; Dissipated energy.

Equation (14) presents a thermophysical equation that can be used, whenever there is thermodynamically strong coupling in the performed processes. Also, equation (14) is extracted using the thermodynamically and physical properties of the system and has the same base as the statistical concepts in modern physics as well as energy structure theory.

Equation (14) has the same base as the different formulations of the second law of thermodynamics and energy structure theory concepts. This equation, also explains the bases of the different coupled equations between the first and second laws of thermodynamics at strong coupling. In fact, equation (14) can be used as the basis of the coupled equations.

Acknowledgments. While equation (14) establishes the general needed conditions to a coupled equation, but I do not have any idea to calculate the function \( \omega \) now.

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